



# Almanac FOR The Reformed Church

IN THE  
UNITED STATES

FOR THE YEAR OF OUR  
LORD

1853



**QUESTION.**—What is thy only comfort in life and death?

**ANSWER.**—That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, who, with His precious blood, hath fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that, without the will of my Heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation: and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

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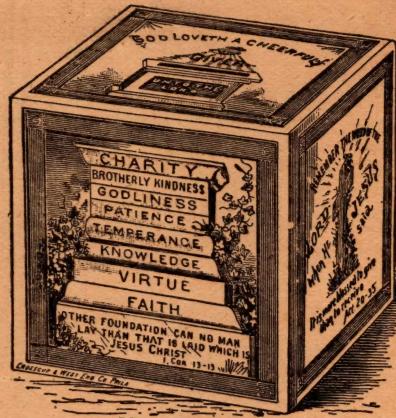
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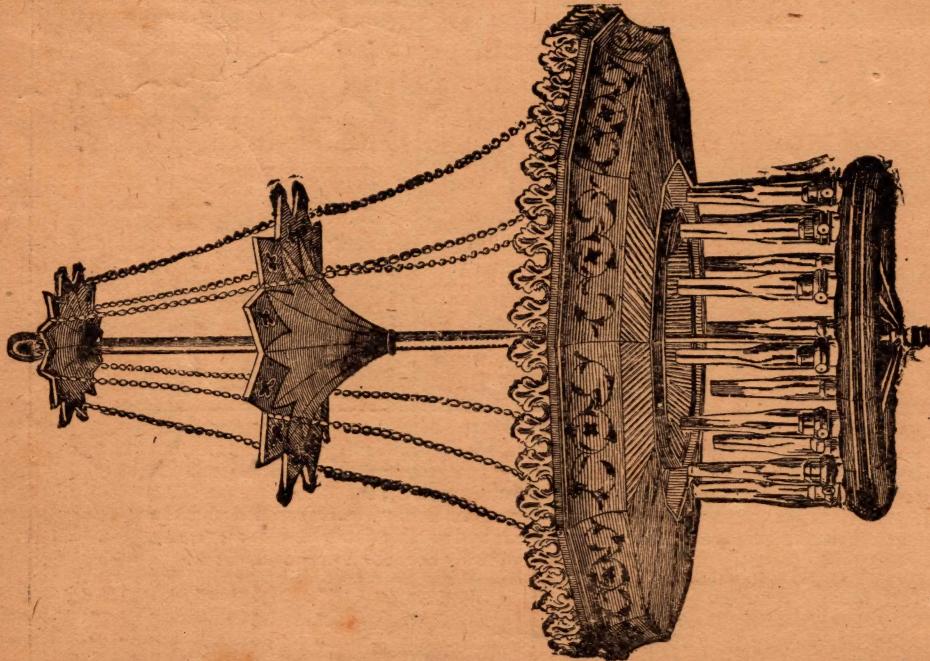
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# ALMANAC FOR THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1893.

BEING A COMMON YEAR OF 365 DAYS.

MOON'S SIGNS.				PLANETS AND ASPECTS.			
New Moon.	First Quarter.	Full Moon.	Last Quarter.	☿ Saturn.	♂ Mars.	♀ Venus.	☽ Moon.
⊕ Conjunction, or planets in the same longitude.	□ Quartile, when they are 90 degrees distant.						
⊕ Sextile, when they are 60 degrees apart.	△ Trine, when they are 120 degrees distant.						
⊗ Opposition, when they are 180 degrees distant.							

## CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

Dominical Letter, . . . . .	A.	Epact, . . . . .	12	Roman Indiction, . . . . .	6
Golden Number, or Lun. Cycle, 13		Solar Cycle, . . . . .	26	Julian Period, . . . . .	6606
The Jewish Era, with their 5654th year, commences on the 11th of September, 1893.					
The Mohammedan Era, with their 1311th year, commences on the 15th of July, 1893.					

## MOVABLE FESTIVALS.

Septuagesima Sunday, Jan. 29.	Mid Lent Sunday, March 12.	Ascension Day, May 11.
Sexagesima " Feb. 5.	Palm Sunday, " 26.	Whit Sunday, " 21.
Quinquagesima " 12.	Good Friday, " 31.	Trinity Sunday, " 28.
Shrove Tuesday, " 14.	Easter Sunday, April 2.	Corpus Christi, June 1.
Ash Wednesday, " 15.	Low Sunday, " 9.	1st Sunday in Advent, Dec. 3.
Quadragesima Sunday, " 19.	Rogation Sunday, May 7.	Sundays after Trinity are 26.

## THE FOUR EMBER DAYS.

February 22.      May 24.      September 20.      December 20.  
 (♀). Mercury is called the Governing Planet this year.

## THE FOUR SEASONS OR CARDINAL POINTS.

Vernal Equinox,	Sun enters ♡ March 20th,	4 o'clock 5 minutes, morning.
Summer Solstice,	" " 25 June 20th,	11 " 59 " evening.
Autumnal Equinox,	" " 22 September 22d,	2 : 52 " afternoon.
Winter Solstice,	" " 23 December 22d,	8 " 50 " forenoon.

### MORNING STARS.

Venus until May 2d.  
 Mars after September 3d.  
 Jupiter after April 27th, to November 18th.  
 Saturn to March 29th, after October 8th.  
 Mercury to Feb. 16th, from March 31st to June 4 ;  
     from Aug. 8th to Sept. 20th, after Nov. 26th.

### EVENING STARS.

Venus after May 2d.  
 Mars until September 3d.  
 Jupiter until April 27th, after November 18th.  
 Saturn after March 29th, to October 8th.  
 Mercury after Feb. 16th, to March 31st, from June 4th to Aug. 8th, from Sept. 20th to Nov. 26.

## PLANETS BRIGHTEST.

Mercury, March 14th, July 19th, November 5th, setting then just after the sun in the evening; also April 28th, August 25th, December 14th, rising just before the sun in the morning; Saturn, March 29th; Mars, May 21st; Jupiter, November 18th; Venus, December 6th.

## ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1893.

This year there will be but two eclipses and both of the Sun.  
 I. The first is a Total Eclipse of the Sun, April 16th, 9 o'clock, 27 minutes, in the forenoon; here invisible, visible in South America, Atlantic Ocean, Europe, Africa and Western Asia.  
 II. The second is an Annular Eclipse of the Sun, October 9th, 3 o'clock, 12 minutes, in the afternoon; here invisible, visible in Western North America, Pacific Ocean and Western South America.

Carefully calculated for the Meridian of Philadelphia, by WILL R. IBACH.

# JANUARY,

1st Month, 31 Days.

1893.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SI. RISES M. H. M. H.	SUN SETS M. H. M. H.	HIGH WATER PHILA. M. M.
1] New Year's Sunday.								
Sunday	1 New Year	1 Pet. 2: 12-19	5 46	23	♀ rises 5 10 m. ☽	47	23 4 37	12 47
Monday	2 Martyrs H. Scrip	1 " 4: 22-40	☽ rises	5	2. ☐ h ☐ Orion <sup>10 51</sup> ☐	47	23 4 37	1 20
Tuesday	3 Gordius	John 2:	6 7	17	♂ sets 11 27 e.	57	23 4 37	2 12
Wednesday	4 Titus	" 3:	7 6	29	S. rises south 11 40 e.	57	22 4 38	2 53
Thursday	5 Simeon	" 4:	7 56	11	♀ sets 12 18 m.	67	22 4 38	3 48
Friday	6 Epiphany	Eph. 3: 1-12	8 43	23	☽ ♀ ☐ Aldebaran <sup>south</sup> <sub>9 22 e.</sub>	67	21 4 39	4 38
Saturday	7 Wedekind	John 6: 1-25	9 30	4	Pollux south 12 23 m.	77	21 4 39	5 24
2] 1st Sunday after Epiphany.								
Sunday	8 Severinus	John 6: 26-71	10 19	16	♂ in ♈. ♀ rises 5 16 m.	77	20 4 40	6 6
Monday	9 Catherine Zell	" 7:	11 31	28	9. ♂ h ♀. h rises <sup>11 45</sup>	87	20 4 40	6 47
Tuesday	10 Paul of Thebes	" 8: 1-20	morn.	11	7* <sup>south</sup> <sub>8 22</sub> e. ☐ in ♈	87	19 4 41	7 27
Wednesday	11 Fructuosus	" 8: 21-50	12 40	23	♂ H ☐ Rigel south 9 38 e.	87	19 4 41	8 8
Thursday	12 Jean Chastellian	" 9:	1 29	6	☐ in apo. ♂ sets 11 19	97	18 4 42	8 56
Friday	13 Hilary	" 10: 1-21	2 49	19	♀ in ♈. Capella <sup>south</sup> <sub>9 31</sub>	97	17 4 43	9 36
Saturday	14 Felix	" 10: 22-42	3 59	3	♀ sets 11 45 e.	97	16 4 44	10 24
3] 2d Sunday after Epiphany.								
Sunday	15 John De Laski	Mark 1: 1-20	5 0	19	♂ ♀ ☐. ♀ rises 5 20 m.	107	16 4 44	11 15
Monday	16 Geo. Spalatine	" 1: 21-45	6 13	2	Spica rises 12 10 m. ☽	107	15 4 45	12 9
Tuesday	17 Anthony	" 2:	7	18	17. h rises 11 23 e.	107	14 4 46	1 3
Wednesday	18 John Blackader	" 3: 1-19	5 49	2	Arctur rises 10 54 e.	117	13 4 47	1 58
Thursday	19 Heid. Cat. 1563	" 3: 20-50	6 39	18	Regulus south 1 37	117	12 4 48	2 56
Friday	20 Fabian	" 4:	7 29	2	○ enters ☽	117	11 4 49	3 37
Saturday	21 Agnes	" 5: 6: 1-6	8 20	17	♀ sets 11 26 e.	127	11 4 49	4 25
4] 3d Sunday after Epiphany.								
Sunday	22 Vincent	Mark 6: 7-29	9 16	2	h stationary	127	10 4 50	5 1
Monday	23 Isaiah	" 6: 30-56	10 3	17	♂ ♀ ☐. ♂ ♀ ☐. ♂ <sub>sets</sub> <sup>11 13</sup> e.	127	9 4 51	5 57
Tuesday	24 Timothy	" 7: 1-23	10 46	0	♀ in Aphelion	127	8 4 52	6 45
Wednesday	25 Paul's Conversion	" 7: 24-37	11 46	13	25. ♂ ♀ ☐ <sup>10 58</sup> ☐ in ♈	137	7 4 53	7 36
Thursday	26 Polycarp	" 8:	morn.	25	♀ rises 5 31 m.	137	6 4 54	8 30
Friday	27 Jno. Chrysostom	" 9:	12 50	8	☐ in per. ♂ ♀ ☐	137	5 4 55	9 29
Saturday	28 Charlemagne	" 10: 1-31	2 10	20	♀ sets 10 58 e.	137	4 4 56	10 31
5] Septuagesima Sunday.								
Sunday	29 Juventin	Luke 3:	3 20	1	♀ in ♈. h rises 10 26 e.	137	3 4 57	11 34
Monday	30 Henry Müller	" 4:	4 57	14	ΠΗ○.	147	2 4 58	12 36
Tuesday	31 Hans Sachs	" 5:	☽ rises	26	31. ♂ sets 11 8 e.	147	1 4 59	1 19

### Moon's Phases.

Full Moon, 2d, 8 o'clock, 40 minutes, morning.  
 Last Quarter, 9th, 5 " 28 " evening.  
 New Moon, 17th, 8 " 28 " "  
 First Quarter, 25th, 1 " 26 " morning.  
 Full Moon, 31st, 9 " 10 " evening.

NOTICE.—m means morning; e means evening.

### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, variable; 3, 4, 5, cold; 6, 7, 8, 9, clear; 10, 11, 12, misty; 13, 14, 15, milder; 16, 17, 18, frosty and snow; 19, 20, 21, cold; 22, 23, 24, rain; 25, 26, 27, frosty; 28, 29, variable; 30, 31, frosty.

## JANUARY.

### WHICH SHALL IT BE?

 GLAD New Year or a sad New Year;  
 O which shall the New Year be?  
 I cannot tell what it hath in store,  
 I would that I might foresee;  
 But God knows well and I need no more:  
 Is that not enough for me?

A glad New Year or a sad New Year;  
 What matter if dark or light?  
 The cloudy pillar will guide by day,  
 The pillar of fire by night;  
 With these to lead me upon my way,  
 How can I but walk aright?

A glad New Year or a sad New Year;  
 'Twill be as the Lord thinks best.  
 The times and seasons are all His  
 Obeying His high behest; [own,  
 He ruleth all from His loving throne,  
 And so is my heart at rest.—Sel.

### NEW YEAR'S GREETING.

To the readers of the Almanac we wish A Happy New Year. It is the best wish we could offer them. With it we wish them every blessing in this life and in the life to come. Those who live throughout its days by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and are zealous of good works, shall indeed enjoy A Happy New Year.

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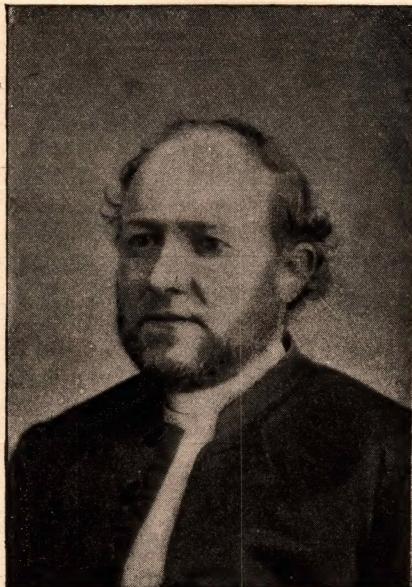
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### IS LIFE WORTH LIVING?

"Is life worth living?" Yes, so long  
As there is wrong to right,  
Wail of the weak against the strong,  
Or tyranny to fight.

While there is one untrodden track  
For intellect or will,  
And men are free to think and act,  
Life is worth living still.

—Alfred Austin.

### ALMANAC FOR 1893.

THE Almanac for the Reformed Church in the United States has reached its thirtieth issue. In these thirty years what a great good it has been to the Church! Year after year it has presented facts and figures that told of the extent and growth of our beloved Church. To compare each issue with the other, will unfold great things for us: how we grew from year to year in ministers, congregations, members, and offerings to the Lord.

The Almanac for 1893 is fully up, if not superior to that of other years, in illustrations and reading matter. The Statistics are full and the Clerical Registers are as complete as possible up to date of issue.

The Almanac should be in every family in the Church. The aid of Pastors, Consistories, Mite and Missionary Societies, is asked in giving it a wide circulation.

CHAS. G. FISHER, D. D., *Editor.*

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# FEBRUARY,

2d Month, 28 Days.

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Wednesday	1 Ignatius	Luke 6: 1-19	6 8	8	♀ rises 5 37 m.	146 595	1	1 56
Thursday	2 Purificat'n of Vir.	" 6: 20-49	6 58	20	☿ rises 10 10 e.	146 585	2	2 43
Friday	3 Ansgar	" 7:	7 35	2	Algob south 6 5 e.	146 575	3	3 58
Saturday	4 Rhaban. Maurus	" 8:	8 28	14	♀ sets 10 35 e.	146 565	4	4 40

6] Sexagesima Sunday. Luke 8: 4-15; 2 Cor. 11: 19-33; 12: 1-9. Day's Length, 10 hours, 10 minutes.

Sunday	5 P. S. Spener	Luke 9: 1-36	9 11	26	♂ ♀ ♂ sets 11 5 e.	146 555	5	5 21
Monday	6 Amandus	" 9: 37-62	9 41	8	Sirius south 9 17 ♂ in ♀	146 545	6	6 3
Tuesday	7 Geo. Wagner	" 10:	10 36	20	Orion south 8 22 e.	146 535	7	6 45
Wednesday	8 Maria Andreæ	" 11: 1-36	11 20	2	☽ 8. ♂ in per. Arctur rises 9 28e.	146 525	8	7 29
Thursday	9 John Hooper	" 11: 37; 12: 1-12 morn.	12 15	15	♀ rises 5 42 m.	146 515	9	8 16
Friday	10 F. C. Ettinger	" 12: 13-59	12 51	28	♂ ☽ ♂ Capella south 7 44 e.	146 505	10	9 6
Saturday	11 H. de St. Victor	" 13: 1-21	2 4	12	☿ rises 9 34 e.	146 485	12	9 58

7] Quinquagesima Sunday. Luke 18: 31-43; 1 Cor. 13: 1-13. Day's Length, 10 hours, 26 min.

Sunday	12 Lady Jane Grey	Luke 13: 22-35	3 16	26	♀ rises 10 12 e.	146 475	13	10 52
Monday	13 C. F. Schwartz	" 14:	4 27	11	☿ stationary. ♀ g. Lat. S. ☽	146 465	14	11 46
Tuesday	14 Shrove Tuesday	" 15:	5 26	26	♂ ♀ ♂ Canopus south 8 41 e.	146 445	16	12 49
Wednesday	15 Ash Wednesday	" 16:	6 16	11	♂ sets 11 2 e.	146 435	17	1 28
Thursday	16 Matth. Desübas	" 17: 1-19	7 sets	26	☽ 16. ♂ ♀ ♂ ☽ superior	146 425	18	2 6
Friday	17 Pat. Hamilton	" 17: 20-37	6 45	11	♀ stationary. 7* sets 12 35 m.	146 415	19	2 50
Saturday	18 Simeon of Jerus.	" 18: 1-30	7 37	26	☿ rises 9 5 e.	146 395	21	3 26

8] 1st Sunday in Lent. Matt. 4: 1-11; 2 Cor. 6: 1-10. Day's Length, 10 hours, 44 min.

Sunday	19 Mesrob	Luke 18: 13; 19: 1-28	8 23	11	○ enters ♀	146 385	22	4 2
Monday	20 Sadoth	" 19: 29; 20: 1-8	9 14	25	♂ ♀ 8. ♀ sets 9 48 e. ♂ in ♀	146 375	23	4 52
Tuesday	21 Meinrab	" 20: 9; 21: 1-4	10 7	8	♂ in per. ♂ ☽ ♂ sets 10 57 e.	146 365	24	4 33
Wednesday	22 <sup>Ember Day</sup> Washington's Birthday	" 21: 5-35	11 3	21	☽ Spica rises 9 32 e.	146 345	26	6 24
Thursday	23 B. Zeingenbalg	" 22: 1-30 morn.	12 4	21	☽ 32. ♂ ☽ ♂	6 335	27	7 23
Friday	24 Matthias	" 22: 31-71	12 14	17	Arctur rises 8 25 e.	136 325	28	8 23
Saturday	25 Casp. Olevianus	" 23:	1 24	29	☿ rises 8 36 e.	136 315	29	9 25

9] 2d Sunday in Lent. Matt. 15: 21-29; 1 Thess. 4: 1-8. Day's Length, 11 hours, 2 min.

Sunday	26 Berthold Haller	Mark 10: 32-52	2 39	11	□ ♀ ○ Pollux <sup>south</sup> 9 11 e. ☽	136 295	31	10 25
Monday	27 Martin Bucer	" 11:	3 47	23	♀ rises 5 49 m.	136 285	32	11 23
Tuesday	28 Jno. de Mon. Cory.	" 12:	4 51	3	♂ sets 10 53	136 275	33	12 16

### Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 8th, 3 o'clock, 11 minutes, afternoon.

New Moon, 16th, 11 " 16 " forenoon.

First Quarter, 23d, 9 " 13 " evening.

### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, cold; 4, 5, wind; 6, 7, 8, rain; 9, 10, cold; 11, 12, 13, coldest days; 14, 15, 16, windy; 17, 18, snow; 19, 20, mild; 21, 22, clear; 23, 24, 25, frosty and fair; 26, 27, rain; 28, clear and cold.

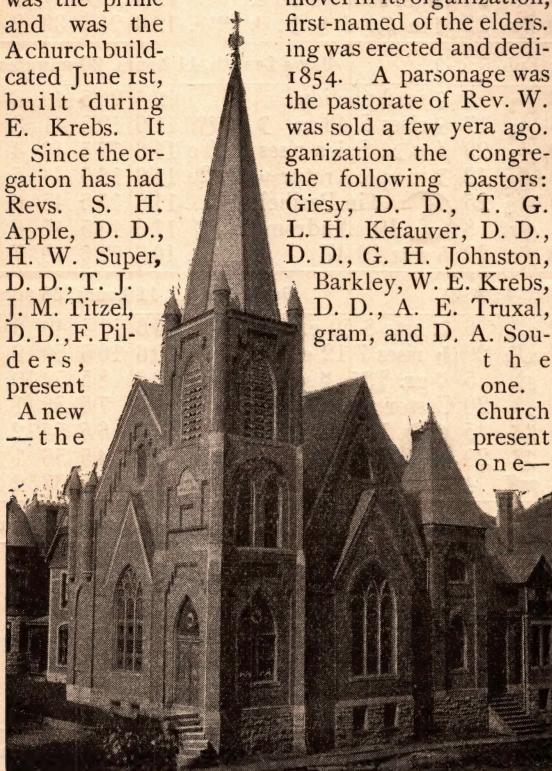
## FEBRUARY.

### REFORMED CHURCH, IRWIN, PA.

THIS church was organized January 1st, 1853, Rev. S. H. Giesy, pastor. Joseph Cort, Esq., was the prime mover in its organization, first-named of the elders. A church building was erected and dedicated June 1st, 1854. A parsonage was built during E. Krebs. It

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A new — the church present one—



REFORMED CHURCH, IRWIN, PA.

REV. D. A. SOUDERS, Pastor.

The Synod of Pittsburgh met in this Church, September 28th, 1892.

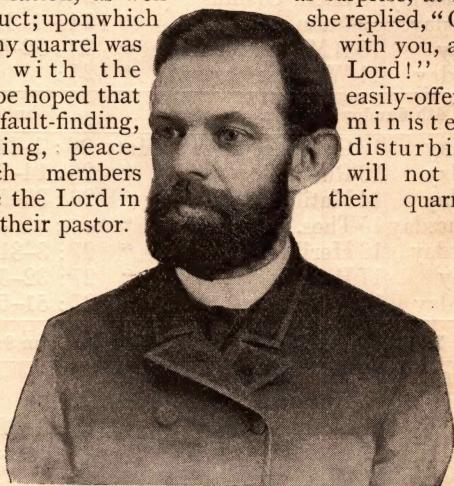
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A new parsonage was built and occupied in 1891, at a cost of \$3,500.

NOTHING will make us so charitable and tender of the faults of others as knowing our own.

### CHURCH QUARRELS.

THERE are few ministers who have not had a disagreement with some church members, even to the extent of their ceasing to attend worship. They are vexed at the pastor, and avenge themselves by staying away from the preaching. A good old Scotch woman had a different view on the subject. She had quarreled with her pastor about church matters, but to his surprise continued her regular attendance at worship. He expressed gratification, as well as surprise, at her conduct; upon which she replied, "Oh, sir, my quarrel was not with the church members, but with the Lord!" It is to be hoped that the pastor will not offend, fault-finding, blaming, peaceable church members include the Lord in their quarrels with their pastor.



REV. D. A. SOUDERS.

ONE's business is one thing; one's occupation is a different thing. A man may be a clerk, book-keeper, salesman, or jeweler, and all in the jewelry business. A Christian's business is to serve and glorify God; his occupation is to be subservient to that end. His right place is wherever he can do most for the business to which God has called him.

THE man or woman who turns his or her head during the prayer to see who is coming in late, is more interested in this world than the next.

THE church choir that does *all* the singing, does too much.

# MARCH.

## 3d Month 31 Days.

1893.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. M. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. RISES	SUN SETS	HIGH WATER PHILA. M. H. M. N. M. H. M.
Wednesday	1 Suidbert	Mark 13:	5 59	16	☽ sets 10 52 e. ☐	13 6	25 5 35	12 56
Thursday	2 John Wesley	" 14: 1-54	D rises	28	☽ 2. ♡ sets 9 18 e.	12 6	24 5 36	1 21
Friday	3 Balthilde	" 14: 55; 15: 1-15	7 6	10	Rigel south 6 23 e.	12 6	23 5 37	1 51
Saturday	4 George Wishart	" 15: 16-47	7 40	22	☽ in ♀. ☽ h D. h <sup>rises</sup> e.	12 6	21 5 39	2 34
10] 3d Sunday in Lent.		Luke 11: 14-28; Eph. 5: 1-9.			Day's Length, 11 hours, 20 minutes.			
Sunday	5 Thomas Aquinas	Matt. 20: 17-33	8 23	5	♀ in Aphelion	12 6	20 5 40	3 15
Monday	6 Fridolin	" 21:	9 5	17	♀ rises 5 48 m. ☐ in ♀	11 6	19 5 41	3 67
Tuesday	7 Perpetua	" 22:	9 50	29	♂ ☐. Spica rises 7 40 e.	11 6	17 5 43	4 39
Wednesday	8 Zach. Ursinus	" 23:	10 38	12	☐ in apo. Arctur <sup>rises</sup> 7 42 e.	11 6	16 5 44	5 22
Thursday	9 Cyrilus and Methodias	" 24: 1-31	11 24	25	☽ in Perihelion	11 6	15 5 45	6 8
Friday	10 <sup>40</sup> Martyrs of Seb.	" 24: 32-51	morn.	8	☽ 10. Andromeda <sup>sets</sup> 8 25	11 6	13 5 47	6 50
Saturday	11 Wm. Hoseus	" 25:	12 25	22	☽ sets 10 47	10 6	12 5 48	7 47
11] 4th Sunday in Lent.		John 6: 1-14; Gal. 4: 21-31.			Day's Length, 11 hours, 38 min.			
Sunday	12 Greg. the Great	Matt. 26: 1-13	1 32	6	☽ sets 8 50 e.	10 6	11 5 49	8 40
Monday	13 Rudericus	" 26: 14-35	2 43	20	h rises 7 12 e.	10 6	10 5 50	9 34
Tuesday	14 Matilda	" 26: 36-56	3 37	5	☽ gr. <sup>Elong.</sup> ☐ sets 6 47 e.	10 6	8 5 52	10 37
Wednesday	15 Thos. Cranmer	" 26: 57; 27: 1-2	4 31	20	Castor south 7 53 e.	9 6	7 5 53	11 42
Thursday	16 Heribert	" 27: 3-31	5 30	5	☽ 7* sets 11 25 e.	9 6	6 5 54	12 35
Friday	17 Patrick	" 27: 32-50	D sets	20	☽ 17. ☽ ☐. ♀ <sup>rises</sup> m.	9 6	4 5 56	1 52
Saturday	18 Alexander <sup>of</sup> Jerus.	" 27: 51-56	6 44	4	☽ sets 10 43 e.	8 6	3 5 57	2 30
12] 5th Sunday in Lent.		John 8: 46-59; Heb. 9: 11-15.			Day's Length, 11 hours, 56 min.			
Sunday	19 Mary and Martha	John 11:	7 38	19	♂ ☐. ♀ gr. <sup>Hel.</sup> ☐ in ♀	8 6	2 5 58	3 8
Monday	20 Ambrose of Sien.	" 12:	8 32	3	♂ ☐ ☐. ☐ <sup>gr.</sup> Spring D. & begins. N. E.	8 6	0 6 0	3 48
Tuesday	21 Benedict <sup>of</sup> Nursia.	" 13: 1-30	9 27	16	☐ in per. ♀ stationary.	7 5	59 6	1 4 28
Wednesday	22 Nich. v. d. Flüe	" 13: 31; 14: 1-38	10 38	0	♂ ☐. h south 12 38 m.	7 5	58 6	2 5 12
Thursday	23 Wolfgang	" 15:	11 38	12	☽ ♀ rises 5 38 m.	7 5	56 6	4 6 3
Friday	24 Florentius	" 16:	morn.	24	☽ 24. Sirius <sup>south</sup> 8 10 e.	6 5	55 6	5 7 3
Saturday	25 Ann. Vir. Mary	" 17:	12 24	7	☽ sets 10 40 e. ☐	6 5	54 6	6 7 47
13] Palm Sunday.		John 12: 1-16; Phil. 2: 5-13.			Day's Length, 12 hours, 16 min.			
Sunday	26 Liudger	Lam., Jeremiah	1 15	19	☽ sets 8 12 e.	6 5	52 6	8 8 34
Monday	27 Rupertus	Heb. 8:	2 18	1	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	5 5	51 6	9 9 18
Tuesday	28 John Von Goch	" 9:	3 10	13	Orion sets 11 46 e.	5 5	50 6	10 10 12
Wednesday	29 Eustatius	" 10:	3 53	25	♂ h ☐. h south 12 8 m.	5 5	48 6	12 11 1
Thursday	30 Maundy Thurs.	John 6:	4 45	7	♀ rises 5 36 m.	5 5	47 6	13 11 47
Friday	31 Good Friday	Luke 23: 32-49	5 25	19	♂ ☐ Inferior. ☽ h ☐	4 5	45 6	15 12 29

### Moon's Phases.

Full Moon, 2d, 11 o'clock, 2 minutes, forenoon.  
 Last Quarter, 10th, 12 " 13 " noon.  
 New Moon, 17th, 11 " 33 " evening.  
 First Quarter, 24th, 4 " 33 " evening.

### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, cold rain; 4, 5, fair; 6, 7, 8, clear; 9, 10, rain or snow; 11, 12, windy; 13, 14, rain; 15, 16, 17, clear and frosty; 18, 19, stormy; 20, 21, 22, variable; 26, 27, rain; 28, 29, 30, 31, mild and pleasant.

( h ). Saturn is in opposition with the Sun on the 29th, and shines all night.

## MARCH.

### Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows in the Re- formed Church in U. S.

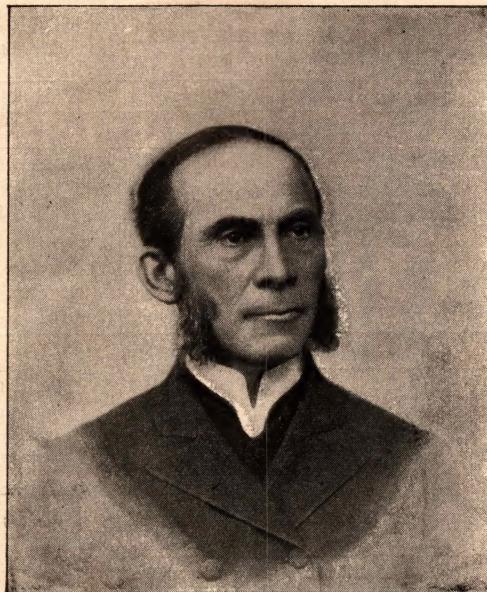
THIS is the oldest charitable institution of the Reformed Church in this country. It was organized one hundred years ago, and was incorporated by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, March 26th, 1810. Its design is to assist ministers' widow and their families, and also superannuated and disabled ministers themselves, who are members of it, and whose pecuniary resources are not sufficient to give them a living, when no longer able to serve the Church.

There are two classes of members—annual contributing and life members. By paying an initiation fee of five dollars, and thereafter annually three dollars, a minister of our Church becomes the former, and by the payment of sixty-five dollars becomes the latter.

The principal income of the Society, however, is from invested funds and collections in the churches. Collections and donations for immediate use are earnestly solicited. That more attention should be given to this society and its worthy object cannot be disputed. Let it be remembered annually by individuals and congregations.

The officers are W. M. Deatrick, D. D., Mercersburg, Pa., *President*; E. V. Gerhart, D. D., LL. D., Lancaster, Pa., *Vice President*; Rev. T. F. Hoffmeier, Middletown, Md., *Secretary*; Rev. S. S. Miller, St. Petersburg, Pa., *Treasurer*; and Revs. J. David Miller, Marysville, Pa., and F. F. Bahner, Waynsboro', Pa., *Advisors*.

"I CAN never do that man any good," said a pastor sorrowfully of one of his members. "His soul is wrapped up in his pocketbook, and I cannot reach it." In that case the soul will grow lean in proportion as the pocketbook grows fat.



REV. JOHN P. STEIN.

Stated Clerk of the Eastern Synod and Pastor of  
St. Thomas Church, Reading, Pa.

### HONOR THE CHURCH.

CHURCH members should honor the Church and its institutions. The Church has its faults, but infidels and atheists will point them out and publish them abroad. It is not becoming in Christians to join them in the effort to bring the Church of CHRIST into contempt. Every father has faults, but he would be an ungrateful son who should take pleasure in parading those faults. No man respects the church member who takes pains to discover the things which are wrong in the Church and make them public. The Christian should honor the Church by respecting its discipline, patronizing its educational institutions, familiarizing himself with

its history and work, and reading its literature. To ignore these as some do is to cast a reproach on the Church in the sight of the world.

If the world seems cold to you,  
Kindle fires to warm it;  
Let their comfort hide from view  
Winters that deform it,  
Hearts as frozen as your own  
To the radiance gather,  
You will soon forget to moan,  
"Ah, the cheerless weather."

—LUCY LARCOM.

CHERISH THE home with infinite tenderness. You cannot love it too much, nor give it too much time and thought. Remember, life has nothing better to offer you; it is the climax and crown of God's gifts. Make every day of life in it rich and sweet. It will not last long. See to it that you plant no seeds of bitter memory; that there be no neglect and no harshness to haunt you in after years.

**APRIL,**

**4th Month, 30 Days.**

**1893.**

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. RISES	SUN SETS	HIGH WATER PHILA. M. H. M. H. M. H. M.
Saturday	1 Fritigild	Heb. 4:	☽ rises	13	1. ☽ 1. ☽ sets 7 53 e.	45	44 6 16	1 32
14] Easter Sunday.			John 20: 1-10; Col. 3: 1-11.		Day's Length, 12 hours, 34 minutes.			
<b>Sunday</b>	2 Easter Sunday	Matt. 28:	6 59	13	½ south 11 51 e. ☽ in ☽	45	43 6 17	2 20
Monday	3 Easter Monday	Luke 24: 1-12	7 53	26	6 ♀ ☽. 7* sets 10 20 e.	35	42 6 18	3 9
Tuesday	4 Ambrose	Acts 2: 22-47	8 26	9	♀ sets 5 24 m.	35	40 6 20	3 51
Wednesday	5 Christ. Scrivener	1 Cor. 15:	9 13	22	☽ in apo. Procyon <sup>south</sup> 6 37 e.	35	29 6 21	4 30
Thursday	6 Albert Durer	Rom. 6:	10 1	5	Sirius sets 10 42 e.	25	38 6 22	5 28
Friday	7 Olaus Petersen	" 8:	10 51	19	♂ sets 10 30 e.	25	37 6 23	6 15
Saturday	8 Martin Chemnitz	1 Cor. 3:	11 43	2	Regulus south 8 54 e. ☽	25	35 6 25	7 0
15] 1st Sunday after Easter.			John 20: 19-31; John 6: 4-12.		Day's Length, 12 hours, 52 min.			
<b>Sunday</b>	9 Thos. v. Westen	John 1:	morn	16	9. ☽ sets 7 28 e.	25	34 6 26	7 51
Monday	10 Fulbert	" 2:	12 41	10	Spica south 12 4 m.	15	33 6 27	8 40
Tuesday	11 Leo the Great	" 3:	1 39	15	♀ in ☽. Orion sets 10 56 e.	15	31 6 29	9 21
Wednesday	12 Saba	" 4:	2 24	0	½ south 11 9 e.	15	30 6 30	10 15
Thursday	13 Justin Martyr	" 5:	3 29	15	♀ stationary	15	29 6 31	10 57
Friday	14 John Eccard	" 6: 1-40	4 19	29	6 ♀ ☽. Antares <sup>rises</sup> 10 27 e.	05	28 6 32	11 42
Saturday	15 Simeon Daeh	" 6: 41-71	5 10	13	♂ sets 10 26 e.	sun	27 6 33	12 37
16] 2d Sunday after Easter.			John 10: 11-16; 1 Peter 2: 20-25.		Day's Length, 13 hours, 10 min.			
<b>Sunday</b>	16 Peter Waldo	John 7:	☽ sets	27	16. ♂ ♀ ☽. ♀ <sup>rises</sup> 5 22 m ☽ in ☽ ♂ ☽	10	5 25 6 35	1 35
Monday	17 Mappalicus	" 8: 1-30	7 54	11	☽ in per. ♂ ☽ ☽	05	24 6 36	2 12
Tuesday	18 Luther at Worms	" 8: 31-50	8 54	24	Wega rises 8 1 e.	15	23 6 37	2 50
Wednesday	19 Melanthon	" 9:	10 0	7	6 ♀ ☽. ♂ ☽	15	22 6 38	3 32
Thursday	20 Jno. Bugenhagen	" 10:	11 7	20	♂ sets 10 21 e.	15	20 6 40	4 13
Friday	21 Anselm of Cant	" 11:	morn.	3	○ enters ♀	15	19 6 41	4 56
Saturday	22 Origen	" 12:	12 12	15	♀ in Aphelion	25	18 6 42	5 51
17] 3d Sunday after Easter.			John 16: 16-22; 1 Peter 2: 11-19.		Day's Length, 13 hours, 26 min.			
<b>Sunday</b>	23 George of Capp.	John 13: 14:	1 6	27	23. Aldebaran <sup>sets</sup> 9 18 e.	25	19 6 43	6 42
Monday	24 Wilfrid	" 15:	1 37	9	♀ rises 5 16 m.	25	15 6 45	7 40
Tuesday	25 St. Mark, Evang.	" 16: 17:	2 27	21	½ south 10 15 e.	25	14 6 46	8 39
Wednesday	26 Trudpert	" 18:	2 57	3	♂ sets 10 17 e.	25	13 6 47	9 38
Thursday	27 Otto Catelin	" 19:	3 27	15	6 ☽ ○. Alphacca <sup>south</sup> 1 9	25	12 6 48	10 36
Friday	28 Fred. Myconius	" 20:	3 59	27	6 ☽ ☽. 8 ♀ ○. ♀ <sup>gr. Elong.</sup> <sup>rises</sup> 1 9	35	11 6 44	11 36
Saturday	29 L. v. Berquin	" 21:	4 29	9	Sirius sets 8 17. ☽ in ☽	35	10 6 50	12 35
18] 4th Sunday after Easter.			John 16: 5-15; James 1: 16-21.		Day's Length, 13 hours, 42 min.			
<b>Sunday</b>	30 Geo. Calixtus	Heb. 1: 2:	☽ rises	22	30. 6 ♀ ☽. Spica <sup>south</sup> 10 49	35	9 6 51	1 15

#### Moon's Phases.

Full Moon, 1st, 2 o'clock, 17 minutes, morning.  
 Last Quarter, 9th, 6 " 35 " "  
 New Moon, 16th, 9 " 34 " forenoon.  
 First Quarter, 23d, 12 " 26 " morning.  
 Full Moon, 30th, 6 " 23 " evening.

#### Conjectures of the Weather.

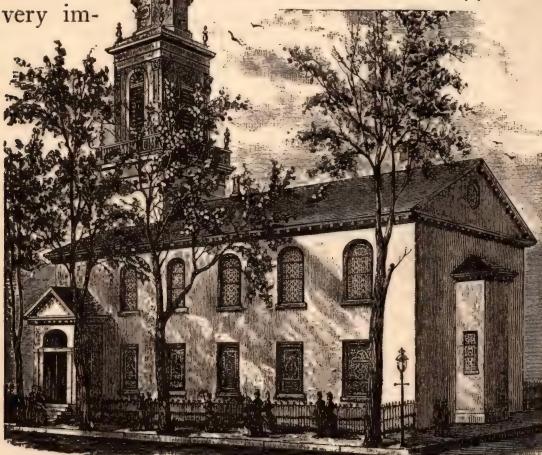
1, 2, rain; 3, 4, 5, N. W. wind; 6, 7, clear; 8, 9, 10, stormy; 11, 12, 13, fair; 14, 15, 16, variable; 17, 18, 19, rain; 20, 21, 22, 23, clear; 24, 25, cloudy; 26, 27, 28, warm; 29, 30, rain.

(2). Jupiter is in conjunction with the Sun on the 27th, and cannot be seen.

## APRIL.

### THIRD STREET REFORMED CHURCH, EASTON, PA.

"THE German Reformed Church at the Forks of the Del- of "Third Street," was and was vis- organized about the year 1745, ited by Schlatter between 1747 church building as seen in the with the exception of the steeple tible, was erected in 1776. A



THIRD STREET REFORMED CHURCH, EASTON, PA.  
H. M. KIEFFER, D. D., Pastor.

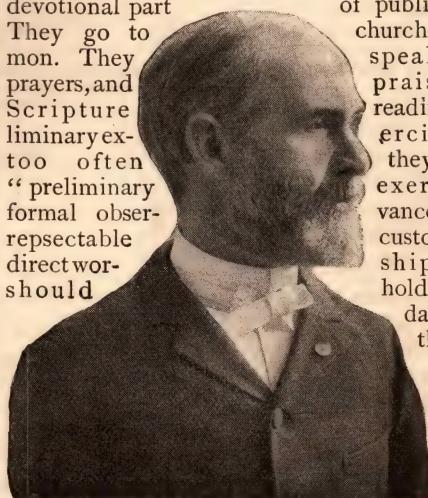
portant treaty with the Indians by U. S. Commissioners was held in this building 1777. At this treaty, the Hon. Geo. Taylor presided, and Thomas Paine was Secretary. The building was used as a hospital after the battles of Brooklyn and Brandywine, and was favored with the presence of Washington. The building was enlarged in 1832, and remodeled in 1886.

The first regular pastor was the Rev. Dr. Caspar D. Weyberg, 1763. Then came the following pastors: Rev. Frederick L. Henop, 1766; Rev. — Pithan, 1769-71; Rev. Wm. Ingold, 1776-86; Rev. Lebrecht F. Hermann, D. D., 1786-90; Rev. Christian Ludwig Becker, D. D., 1793-95; Rev. Thómas Pomp, 1796-1852. The first English pastor was Rev. Bernard C. Wolff, D. D., 1832-45. Then followed Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D., 1845-54; Rev. John Beck, D. D., 1854-77;

Rev. Thos. C. Porter, D. D., 1877-84; Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D. D., 1884—date.

The building is the oldest church in Easton, and the only public building of revolutionary days still standing. —\*

WORSHIPPERS do not make enough of the devotional part of public worship. They go to church for the sermon. They speak of the praises, and readings as "pre- cises," and they are only exercises," a vance of old and customs. The ship of God hold no secon- dary place in the services of the sanc- tuary. Worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.



H. M. KIEFFER, D. D.

### CALVARY.

UNDER an Eastern sky,  
Amid a rabble's cry,  
A Man went forth to die  
For me.

Thorn-crowned His blessed head,  
Blood-stained His every tread;  
Cross-laden, on He sped,  
For me.

Pierced glow His hands and feet,  
Three hours o'er Him beat  
Fierce rays of noon-tide heat  
For me.

Thus wert Thou made all mine:  
Lord, make me wholly Thine:  
Grant grace and strength divine  
To me.

In thought and word and deed  
Thy will to do. Oh, lead  
My soul, e'en though it bleed,  
To Thee.

# MAY,

5th Month, 31 Days.

1893.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. F.	SUN RISES M. H.	SUN SETS M. H.	HIGH WATER PHILA. M. H. M.
						S.	SUN RISES M. H.	SUN SETS M. H.	HIGH WATER PHILA. M. H. M.
Monday	1 Philip and James	Heb. 3 : 4 :	7 36	5	Arctur south 11° 34' e. ☽	35	7 6	53	1 58
Tuesday	2 Athanasius	" 5 : 6 :	8 20	18	6 ♀ ☽ Superior	35	6 6	54	2 34
Wednesday	3 Monica	" 7 :	9 12	2	☽ in apo. ☽ sets 10° 11' e.	35	5 6	55	3 12
Thursday	4 Florian	" 8 :	10 4	18	Sinabola south 8° 52' e.	35	4 6	56	3 52
Friday	5 Fred'k the Wise	" 9 :	10 57	28	♀ south 11° 33' e.	35	3 6	57	4 34
Saturday	6 John of Damasc.	" 10 :	11 50	13	☽ south 9° 29' e.	45	2 6	58	5 18
19]	5th Sunday after Easter.		John 16: 23-33 ; James 1: 22-27.		Day's Length, 13 hours, 58 minutes.				
Sunday	7 Flav. Domitilla	Heb. 11:	morn.	27	☾ Sirius sets 8° 44' e.	45	1 6	59	6 9
Monday	8 Stanislaus	" 12 :	12 22	12	☽ 8. Spica south 10° 17' e.	45	0 7	0	6 51
Tuesday	9 Greg. Nazianzen	" 13 :	12 25	27	Orion sets 9° 8' e.	44	5 9	7	7 48
Wednesday	10 John Heuglin	John 14:	1 43	11	☽ sets 10° 2' e.	44	5 8	7	8 48
Thursday	11 Ascension Day	Eph. 4:	2 14	25	Arcturus south 10° 51' e.	44	5 7	3	9 39
Friday	12 Meletius	John 15:	2 44	9	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	44	5 6	7	4 10 26
Saturday	13 Servatius	" 16 :	3 25	22	☽ south 9° 0' e. ☽ in ♀	44	5 5	7	5 11 17
20]	6th Sunday after Easter.		John 15: 26 ; 16 ; 1 Peter 4: 7-11.		Day's Length, 14 hours, 12 min.				
Sunday	14 Pachomius	1 John 1:	3 55	6	☽ 6 ♀ ☽. 6 ♀ ☽	44	5 4	7	6 12 26
Monday	15 Moses	" 2 :	☽ sets	19	☽ 15. Librae south 11° 39' e.	44	5 3	7	7 13
Tuesday	16 Five Martyrs of L.	" 3 :	8 1	2	☽ in per. 6 ♀ ☽. 6 ♀ ☽	44	5 2	7	8 0
Wednesday	17 Joachim of Flor.	" 4 :	9 9	15	Procyon sets 10° 15' e.	44	5 1	7	9 2 59
Thursday	18 80 Marts. with Val.	" 5 :	10 17	28	6 ♀ ☽. 6 sets 9° 54' e.	44	5 0	7	10 3 57
Friday	19 Alcuin	Joel 3:	11 21	11	Wega south 2° 45' m. ☽	44	5 0	7	10 4 53
Saturday	20 Val. Herberger	John 17:	morn.	23	6 ♀ ☽. ☽ south 8° 32' e.	44	4 9	7	11 5 51
21]	Whit Sunday or Pentecost.		John 14: 15-31 ; Acts 2: 1-11.		Day's Length, 14 hours, 24 min.				
Sunday	21 Whit Sunday	Gal. 3 : 4 : 1-7	12 11	5	☽ 10° 45' e. ☽ enters II	44	4 8	7	12 6 50
Monday	22 Whit Monday	" 5 :	12 47	17	☽ 22. 7* sets 7° 2' e.	44	4 7	7	13 7 44
Tuesday	23 Jerome Savona	Rom. 12:	1 30	29	♀ in ♀. Castor sets 9° 47' e.	44	4 6	7	14 8 28
Wednesday	24 Ember Day	1 Cor. 13:	2 0	13	☽ sets 9° 47' e.	34	4 6	7	14 9 0
Thursday	25 Augustine	Rom. 6 : 9 ; 7 :	2 27	23	6 ♀ ☽. Spica south 9° 10' e.	34	4 5	7	15 9 51
Friday	26 Beda Venerabilis	" 8 :	2 57	5	☽ south 8° 4' e.	34	4 4	7	16 10 31
Saturday	27 John Calvin	2 Cor. 5:	3 28	17	6 ♀ ☽. Regulus sets 12° 11' m. ☽ in ♀	34	4 3	7	17 11 13
22]	Trinity Sunday.		John 3: 1-15 ; Rev. 4: 1-11.		Day's Length, 14 hours, 34 min.				
Sunday	28 Lanfranc	Acts 1 : 2 :	4 59	0	☽ south 10° 23' e.	34	4 3	7	17 11 56
Monday	29 David Zeisberger	" 3 :	5 27	13	Wega south 2° 8' m.	34	4 2	7	18 12 42
Tuesday	30 Memorial Day	" 4 :	☽ rises	27	☽ 30. ♀ in ♀	34	4 1	7	19 1 21
Wednesday	31 Joachim Neander	" 5 :	8 26	9	☽ in apo. Arctur south 9° 37' e.	34	4 1	7	19 2 19

### Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 8th, 9 o'clock, 24 minutes, evening.

New Moon, 15th, 5 " 46 " "

First Quarter, 22d, 9 " 51 " forenoon.

Full Moon, 30th, 10 " 22 " "

### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, cool and frost; 3, 4, 5, 6, rain; 7, 8, 9, fair; 10,

11, 12, cloudy; 13, 14, rain; 15, 16, 17, fair; 18, 19, 20,

rain 21, 22, fair; 23, 24, variable; 25, 26, thunder;

27, 28, cloudy; 29, 30, 31, showers.

(♀). Venus is the 2d in superior conjunction with the Sun, and passes from Morning to Evening Star.

## MAY.

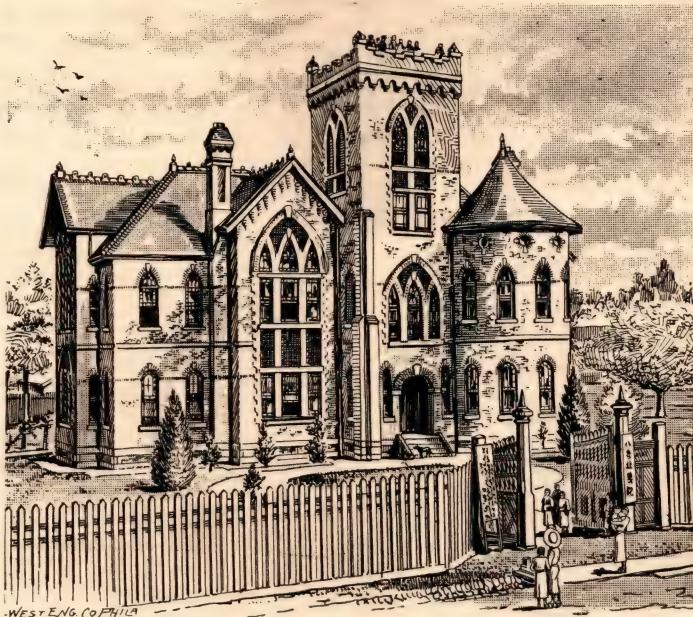
### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

THE Board of Foreign Missions at present is composed of the following officers and members :

Clement Z. Weiser, D. D., *President*; Nicholas Gehr, D. D., *Vice-President*; S. N. Callender, D. D., *Secretary*; Benjamin Bausman, D. D.; Rev. A. R. Bartholomew; Jacob Dahlman, D. D.; Rev. John H. Prugh; P. Greding, D. D.; Elders, Rudolph F. Kelker; Benjamin Kuhns; Goldsboro S. Griffith; Joseph L. Lemberger, *Treasurer*, Lebanon, Pa.

The Missionaries, Revs. M. Oshikawa, W. E. Hoy, D. B. Schneider and the two Misses Poorbaugh, remain laboring faithfully and successfully at their posts. Rev. J. P. Moore, D. D., returned to America, on furlough, in September, 1891, and is still in this country visiting the congregations in the interest of the work in which he has shown himself so successful a laborer. In October, 1881, Miss Mary C. Hollowell, of Chambersburg, Pa., was sent out to assist the Misses Poorbaugh, in the Girls' School. Her salary is provided for by the Woman's Missionary Society, G. S. Rev. Henry K. Miller, of Reading, Pa., was sent as an additional Missionary in September last. He, as well as all of our Missionaries, is most affectionately commended to the prayers and liberal support of the Church.

The Theological Training School and the Girls' School are moving prosperously forward. The late statistics show one hundred and nineteen



**TŌHOKU GAKUIN.**  
The Theological Training School, Sendai, Japan,  
Rev. M. OSHIKAWA, President.

scholars in the former, and forty-one in the latter. A larger number could be secured were the means at hand for their instruction and support. The Theological Seminary Building has been completed and occupied at a cost of \$7,356.25. A debt of several thousand dollar, remains upon its which should be liquidated.

The last year the expenses of the Mission have been increased by sending out the additional Missionary.

The work has been widening, and additional

workers are imperatively wanted, if our advancement be not seriously retarded.

The contributions of the home Church have not kept pace with the growing necessities of the work, and the Board is embarrassed in its endeavors to avoid a retrograde movement. In this struggle a burdensome debt has been incurred, and the Church is most earnestly besought to enlarge its contributions, that the promising Providential openings now inviting us to advance, may be improved.

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To be a good preacher one must have something to impart and the power to properly present it. He must be a full man—full of truth and full of grace. He must both instruct and move. Men may vary in the preaching gift, but study and practice develop it. Intellect and heart should more and more come into the fullest play in the pulpit. People love a growing preacher. He who is always taking in and giving out for their advantage has the staying quality which makes the attractive and prolonged pastorate.

JUNE,

## **6th Month, 30 Days.**

1893

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H.	MOON'S PLACE. M. S.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. RISES Fs. M. H.	SUN SETS RISSES M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Thursday	1 <i>Corpus Christi</i>	Acts 6:	9 18	25	δ ♫ ⊖. ♄ south 7 44 ☽	34 407 20	3 6	
Friday	2 Pothinus and Blandina	" 7:	10 8	9	☽ sets 9 35 e. ☽	24 407 20	4 4	
Saturday	3 Chlotilde	" 8:	11 2	24	δ ♀ ♪. Antares sets 11 38	24 397 21	4 55	

23] 1st Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 16: 19-31; 1 John 4: 7-21.

**Day's Length, 14 hours, 42 minutes.**

<b>Sunday</b>	4 Quirinus	1 Peter 1: 10	11 51		9	♂ ☽ Superior	24 39	7 21	5 44
Monday	5 Boniface	Acts 10:	morn.		23	☽ in Perihelion	24 38	7 22	6 31
Tuesday	6 Norbert	" 11:	12 5		7	☽ 24 south 9 56 e.	24 38	7 22	7 16
Wednesday	7 Paul Gerhardt	" 12:	12 33		21	7. ♀ south 7 20 e.	14 37	7 23	8 1
Thursday	8 A. H. Franke	1 Pet. 2: 11; 3: 1-17	12 56		5	Librae south 9 43 e.	14 37	7 23	8 47
Friday	9 Columba	" 3: 18; 4: 1-16	1 12		19	♀ stationary	14 37	7 23	9 35
Saturday	10 Fdk. Barbarossa	" 4: 17; 5:	1 44		2	♂ sets 9 23 e. ☽ in Ω	14 37	7 23	10 27

24] 2d Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 14: 16-24; 1 John 3: 13-24.

**Day's Length, 14 hours, 48 min.**

Sunday	11 Barnabas	2 Peter 1: 1-11	2 12		15	6 ♀ ♂ D. Pollux sets 10 8 e.	14	367	24	11	25
Monday	12 Renata	" 1:12; 2;3:	2 44		29	h sets 1 8 m.	14	367	24	12	27
Tuesday	13 Isaac Le Febvre	James 2:	3 27		12	D in south 10 1 e	04	367	24	1	0
Wednesday	14 Basil	" 3:	D sets		24	 14. ♂ ♀ ♂ ♂ D. ♂ ♀ ♀ sun	4	367	24	1	50
Thursday	15 W. Wilberforce	" 4:	9 11		7	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. N. 6 ♂ D. ♂ slo' 4	357	25	2	41	
Friday	16 R. Baxter	" 5:	9 50		19	Regulus sets 11 5 e.	04	357	25	3	45
Saturday	17 John Tauler	Jude	10 20		1	♂ sets 9 9 e.	14	357	25	4	44

25] 3d Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 15: 1-10; 1 Peter 5: 5-11.

**Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.**

Sunday	18	Pamphilus	Acts 13 : 1-12	10	53		13	2/ south 9 19	1/4	357	25	5	36			
Monday	19	Council at Nice	" 13 : 13-52	11	23		25	Rigel sets 9 45	1/4	357	25	6	23			
Tuesday	20	27 Martyrs <sub>of Prague</sub>	" 14 :	11	58		7		20.	en- ters	Longest Day. Summer begins	1/4	357	25	7	8
Wednesday	21	Matt. Claudius	" 15 :	morn		19		Wega south 12 4 e.	1/4	347	26	7	49			
Thursday	22	Gottschalk	" 16 :	12	17		1	δ b D. b sets 12 20 m. D in ♈	24	357	25	8	30			
Friday	23	Gottfried Arnold	" 17 : 1-14	12	49		13	δ w D. Altair <sub>1 40</sub> south m.	24	357	25	9	11			
Saturday	24	John Baptist	" 17 : 15; 18 : 11	1	19		25	Ω sets 8 25 e.	24	357	25	9	54			

26] 4th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 6: 36-42; Rom. 8: 18-23.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.

Sunday	25	Augsburg Conf.	1	Thess. 1 :	1	50		8	6 sets 8 59 e.	24	35	7	25	10	39
Monday	26	J. Val. Andreæ	"	2 : 1-16	2	15		21	D in apo. ♀ in Perihelion	24	35	7	25	11	26
Tuesday	27	Seven Sleepers	"	2 : 17; 3 :	2	45		5	♂ ♀ ♂ . Andromeda <sup>rises</sup> <sub>9 48</sub> e	34	35	7	25	12	16
Wednesday	28	Irenæus	"	4 :	3	8		19	□ ♀ ☽ sets 12 13 m	34	36	7	24	1	8
Thursday	29	Peter and Paul	"	5 :	D	rises		4	29. ♀ <sub>south</sub> 8 45 e. ☽	34	36	7	24	1	38
Friday	30	Raymond Lully	2	Thess. 1 : 2, 1-12	8	58		19	☽ sets 11 44 e.	34	36	7	24	2	5

## Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 8th, 7 o'clock, 42 minutes, forenoon.

New Moon, 14th, 12 " 51 " morning.

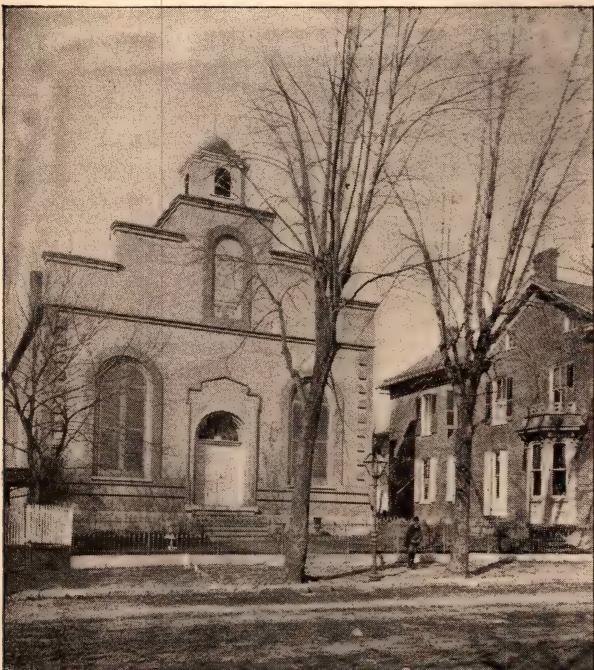
First Quarter, 20th, 9 " 37 " evening

Full Moon, 29th, 1 " 25 " afternoon.

## **Conjectures of the Weather.**

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, variable; 6, 7, 8, cloudy; 9, 10, showers; 11, 12, 13, 14, warm; 15, 16, variable; 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, 21, rain; 22, 23, 24, very warm; 25, 26, clear and dry; 27, 28, cloudy; 29, 30, rain.

## JUNE.



REFORMED CHURCH, MARTINSBURG, W. VA.

JOHN A. HOFFHEINS, D. D., Pastor.

The Synod of the Potomac met in this Church, October 11, 1892.

### REFORMED CHURCH, MARTINSBURG, W. VA.

THIS is an old Church—how old is not exactly known. It is supposed to have been organized before the opening of the present century. It has had up to the present ten pastors; the average length of their pastorate has been about ten years.

The following is the list: Rev. George Adam Gueting, Rev. Jonathan Rahauer, Rev. Lewis Mayer, D. D., Rev. Samuel Helfenstein, Jr., Rev. Jacob Beecher, Rev. Robert Douglas, Rev. Daniel G. Bragonier, Rev. William D. Lefevre, Rev. Stephen K. Kremer, Rev. John A. Hoffheins, D. D. The last has been pastor for the past seventeen years. In 1876, the number of members in the congregation was 176, at present it is 325. The congregation has not only made progress in numbers but also in its offerings to benevolence.

### The Missionary Guardian.

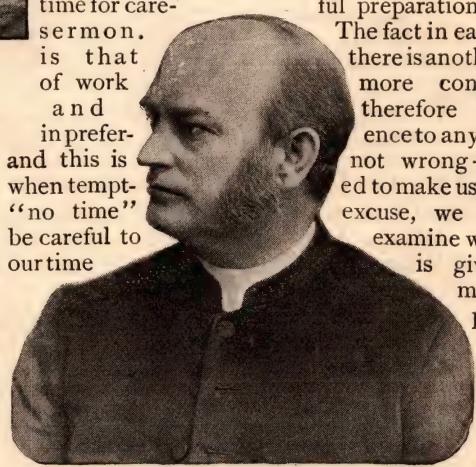
THIS Magazine is for our whole Church. It is devoted to the interest of Missions, Home and Foreign, and is under the Editorial supervision of the Boards of the Church, with Rev. A. C. Whitmer, as Editor, with the following assistants: D. S. Fouse, D. D., and S. N. Callender, D. D. It contains twenty-four pages, and is issued monthly at 50 cents a year, *cash in advance*. It is published by the Reformed Church Publication House, 907 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

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WE find time for what we most want to do. A preacher claims that he has no time for pastoral work, and a pastor laments his lack of time for care-

ful preparation of his sermon. The fact in each case is that there is another line of work more congenial, and therefore chosen in preference to any other; and this is when tempted—not wrong—only to make use of the excuse, we should examine whether

is given to more important work than that which we reject.



JOHN A. HOFFHEINS, D. D.

THERE is one day in the week to go to church, and seven to love thy neighbor as thyself.

PRAY for your pastor.

JULY,

7th Month 31 Days.

1893.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SI. RISES M. H. M. H.	SUN SETS M. H. M. H.	HIGH WATER PHILA. M. H. M. H. M.
Saturday	1 H. Voes	2 Thess. 2: 13; 3:	9 35	2	♀ sets 8 24	3	4 36	7 24 2 47
27] 5th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	2 Visit Virgin Mary	Gal. 1: 1-10	10 16	18	☽ south 8 36 e.	44	37	7 23 3 35
Monday	3 Otto Bishop	Acts 18: 12; 19: 1-10	10 37	3	⊕ in Aphelion	44	37	7 23 4 25
Tuesday	4 Independence	Gal. 1: 11; 2: 1-14	11 7	18	Regulus sets 9 40 e.	44	37	7 23 5 20
Wednesday	5 Lord Cobham	" 2: 15; 3: 1-14	11 29	2	☽ sets 8 33 e.	44	37	7 23 6 19
Thursday	6 John Huss	" 3: 15	11 59	16	☽ 6. Wega <sub>south</sub> 11 31 e.	44	38	7 22 7 18
Friday	7 Willibald	" 4:	morn.	29	☽ sets 11 24 e. ⊕ in ♀	44	38	7 22 8 18
Saturday	8 Kilian	" 5; 6:	12 33	12	☽ in ♀. Altair <sub>south</sub> 12 34	54	38	7 22 9 8
28] 6th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	9 Ephraim the Syr.	1 Cor. 1:	1 5	25	♂ ♀ ♂ . ♂ ♀ ☽	54	39	7 21 10 2
Monday	10 Wm. of Orange	" 2:	1 45	8	♂ ☽ ⊕ Dog Days Begin	54	40	7 20 10 58
Tuesday	11 Placidus	" 3; 4: 1-4	2 15	21	⊕ in per. ♀ <sub>long E.</sub> ♀ <sub>s 36 e.</sub> sets	54	40	7 20 11 48
Wednesday	12 Henry II.	" 4: 5; 5: 1-8	2 55	3	☽ gr. Hel. Lat. N. ☽	54	41	7 19 12 48
Thursday	13 Eugenius	" 5: 9; 6:	3 sets	15	☽ 13. ☽ sets 8 23 e.	54	41	7 19 1 25
Friday	14 Bonaventura	" 7:	8 56	28	♂ ☽ ⊕. ♂ ♀ ☽ ☽ <sub>stationary</sub>	54	42	7 18 2 27
Saturday	15 Ansver	" 8; 9:	9 28	10	♀ sets 8 20 e.	64	43	7 17 3 23
29] 7th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	16 Anna Askew	1 Cor. 10: 11; 1:	9 53	22	☽ rises 12 52 m.	64	43	7 17 4 14
Monday	17 Speratus and 11 Co.	" 11: 2	10 13	3	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	64	44	7 16 5 1
Tuesday	18 Arnulf	" 12: 30	10 34	15	♂ ⊕ ☽ ⊕ sets 10 42	64	45	7 15 5 44
Wednesday	19 Louisa Henrietta	" 12: 31; 13:	10 52	27	☽ in Aphelion. ☽ in ♀	64	46	7 16 6 26
Thursday	20 John Martulp	" 14:	11 52	9	☽ 20. Antares <sub>south</sub> 8 <sub>22 e.</sub>	64	46	7 16 7 8
Friday	21 Eberhard	" 15: 1-34	morn.	21	♂ ☽ ⊕. ♀ sets 8 18	64	47	7 13 7 51
Saturday	22 Mary Magdalene	" 15: 35; 16:	12 20	4	○ enters ♀	64	48	7 12 8 35
30] 8th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	23 Godfr. v. Hamele	Acts 19: 11; 20:	12 50	16	⊕ in apo. 7* rises 12 2 m.	64	49	7 11 9 2
Monday	24 Thos. A. Kempis	2 Cor. 1: 1-22	1 22	29	♀ stationary	64	50	7 10 9 58
Tuesday	25 James the Elder	" 1: 23; 2:	1 53	13	♂ sets 7 58 e.	64	50	7 10 10 56
Wednesday	26 Christopher	" 3; 4: 1-16	2 24	27	☽ rises 12 19 m.	64	51	7 9 11 47
Thursday	27 Raym. Palmarius	" 4: 7; 5: 10	3 21	12	☽ Formal <sub>s 36</sub> m. ☽	64	52	7 8 12 27
Friday	28 Jno. Seb. Bach.	" 5: 11; 6: 7; 1:	3 rises	27	☽ 28. ☽ sets 10 5 e.	64	53	7 1 18
Saturday	29 Olaus	" 7: 2	8 16	12	☽ ☽ Markab <sub>s 32</sub> m.	64	54	7 6 2 7
31] 9th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	30 John Wessele	2 Cor. 8:	9 5	27	♀ sets 8 12 e.	64	55	7 5 3 13
Monday	31 Jno. Cas. Schade	" 9:	9 47	12	♂ sets 7 47 e.	64	56	7 4 3 59

#### Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 6th, 5 o'clock, 5 minutes, evening.  
 New Moon, 13th, 8 " 47 " forenoon.  
 First Quarter, 20th, 12 " 2 " noon.  
 Full Moon, 28th, 3 " 9 " afternoon.

#### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, warm and showers; 4, 5, 6, fair; 7, 8, 9, variable;  
 10, 11, cloudy; 12, 13, showers; 14, 15, 16, fair  
 and clear; 17, 18, warm; 19, 20, rain; 21, 22, 23, variable;  
 24, cloudy; 25, 26, rain; 27, variable; 28, 29, fair;  
 30, 31, clear.

## JULY.

### BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

THE Church has her Boards of Education, whose duty it is to receive funds and devote them toward aiding pious young men in their preparation for the Gospel Ministry.

Each of the Synods has its Board. That of the Eastern Synod is known as the Parent Board.

Funds are needed by all of them. Were large amounts at their command, the number of young men in our institutions, preparing for the ministry, would be much greater.

The attention of those who would thus further the cause of Christ, by giving of their means with which the Lord has prospered them, is called to this sacred cause, committed to the several Boards of Education. The addresses of the several Treasurers can be found under the head—WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

IT is from the people who love their Church for her faith, and for what the Church stands, that the work of missions and education receive their most liberal and constant support. Those who are so fascinated with "broad" ideas that they have no particular attachment to the Church to which they belong, never do much for the kingdom. They are usually iconoclastic. They are destructive in criticism, and not constructive in action.

DON'T be on the lookout to find where people are wrong. Try to find out where they are right. They are not right if they sneer, or if they are violent. Nor are we, either.

THE man that would be truly rich must not increase his fortune, but retrench his appetites.



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### INTERESTING BIBLE STATISTICS.

Books in Old Testament, 39.  
Chapters in the Old Testament, 929.

Verses in the Old Testament, 23,241.

Words in the Old Testament, 592,430.

Letters in the Old Testament, 2,728,100.

Books in New Testament, 27.

Chapters in N. Testament, 260.

Verses in N. Testament, 7,959.

Words in the New Testament, 181,253.

Letters in the New Testament, 838,380.

Apocrypha has chapters, 183.

Apocrypha has verses, 7,081.

Apocrypha has words, 152,185.

The middle chapter and least

in the Bible is Psalm 117.

The middle verse is the 8th of

Psalm 118.

The word "Jehovah" occurs in Old Testament 6,865 times.

The middle book of the Old Testament is Proverbs.

The middle chapter of the Old Testament is Job 29.

The middle verse of the Old Testament is 2 Chronicles, 22d chapter, 17th verse.

The least verse of the Old Testament is 1 Chronicles, 1st chapter, 25th verse.

The longest verse in the Old Testament is Esther 8th chapter, 9th verse.

The middle book of the New Testament is 2 Thessalonians.

The middle chapters of the New Testament are Romans 13 and 14.

The middle verse of the New Testament is Acts 17th chapter, 17th verse.

The least verse in the New Testament is John 11th chapter, 35th verse.

Verse 21, of chapter 7, of Ezra, has all the letters of the alphabet except "j."

Chapter 19 of 2 Kings, and chapter 37 of Isaiah are alike.

# AUGUST,

8th Month, 31 Days.

1893.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SI. RISES M. H. M. H.	SUN SETS M. H. M. H.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Tuesday	1 Maccabees	2 Cor. 10: 10 17	27	½ sets 9 48 e.	64 57 7 3 4 42			
Wednesday	2 Mar. Under Nero	" 11: 10 50	17	Wega south 9 43 e.	64 58 7 2 5 27			
Thursday	3 Wm. Thorp	" 12: 1-18 11 20	26	♀ sets 8 6 e. ♀ in ♀	64 59 7 1 6 14			
Friday	4 Leonard Kiser	" 12: 19; 13: 11 55	9	4. Orion rises 2 27 m	65 07 0 7 4			
Saturday	5 Salzb'g Evang.	Acts 20: 1-13 morn	22	♂ sets 7 34 e.	65 16 59 7 59			
32] 10th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 19: 41-47; 1 Cor. 12: 1-11. Day's Length, 13 hours, 56 min								
Sunday	6 Transfiguration	Rom. 1: 1-17 12 12	5	6 ♀ ♀. ♀ rises 11 44 e.	65 26 58 8 59			
Monday	7 Nonna	" 1: 18-31 12 50	18	6 ♀ ♀. Sirius rises 4 25 m	55 36 57 9 58			
Tuesday	8 Hormisdas	" 2: 1 28	0	♀ in per. 6 ♀ ♀	55 46 56 10 47			
Wednesday	9 Numidicus	" 3: 2 26	13	Markab south 1 48 m.	55 56 53 11 40			
Thursday	10 Laurentius	" 4: 3 20	25	♂ sets 7 22 e.	55 66 54 12 28			
Friday	11 Greg. of Utrecht	" 5: 1-11 ♀ sets 7	11	6 ♀ ♀. Antares sets 11 19 e.	55 76 50 1 14			
Saturday	12 Ans. of Har'lbg'	" 5: 12-21 7 59	19	6 ♂ ♀. Arctur sets 11 20 e.	55 86 52 2 0			
33] 11th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 18: 9-14; 1 Cor. 15: 1-11. Day's Length, 13 hours, 42 min.								
Sunday	13 C'nt Zinzendorf	Rom. 6: 8 29	0	6 ♀ ♀. ♀ sets 7 58 e.	55 96 51 2 51			
Monday	14 James Guthrie	" 7: 8 59	13	♀ rises 11 2 e.	45 106 50 3 36			
Tuesday	15 Virgin Mary	" 8: 1-15 9 26	25	6 ♂ ♀. ♂ sets 8 58. ♀ in ♀	45 126 48 4 20			
Wednesday	16 John of Saxony	" 8: 16-39 9 46	6	♂ in Aphelion	45 136 47 5 2			
Thursday	17 John Gerhard	" 9: 1-13 10 10	18	♀ stationary. ♂ ♀ ♀	45 146 46 5 45			
Friday	18 Hugo Grotius	" 9: 14-33 10 33	0	♂ sets 7 6 e.	45 156 45 6 29			
Saturday	19 Sebaldus	" 10: 10 59	12	19. Polaris <sup>south</sup> sets 3 26 m.	35 176 43 7 15			
34] 12th Sunday after Trinity. Mark 7: 31-37; 2 Cor. 3: 4-11. Day's Length, 13 hours, 24 min.								
Sunday	20 Bernard of Clair	Rom. 11: 11 27	25	♀ in apo. ♀ sets 7 57	35 186 42 8 4			
Monday	21 1st Morv. Miss.	" 12: 11 58	7	Archernon south 3 35 m.	35 196 41 8 54			
Tuesday	22 Symphorianus	" 13: morn.	22	II ♂ ○. Procyon <sup>rises</sup> 3 9 m.	35 206 40 9 46			
Wednesday	23 Gasp. de Coligny	" 14: 12 29	6	♀ rises 10 36 e. ○ <sup>sets</sup> 3 9 ♀	25 216 39 10 39			
Thursday	24 Bartholomew	" 15: 1-13 1 30	20	Orion rises 1 11 m.	25 236 37 11 30			
Friday	25 Louis IX.	" 15: 14-33 2 42	5	♀ gr. Elong. ♀ rises 3 59 m.	25 246 36 12 20			
Saturday	26 Ulfilas	" 16: 3 56	20	♂ sets 8 20 e.	25 256 35 1 8			
35] 13th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 10: 33-37; Gal. 3: 16-22. Day's Length, 13 hours, 8 min.								
Sunday	27 Jovinian	Acts 20: ♀ rises 6	27.	♀ in ♀	15 266 34 1 48			
Monday	28 Aug. of Hippo	" 21: 7 52	21	Dog Days End.	15 276 33 2 37			
Tuesday	29 John Baptist B'd	" 22; 23: 8 37	6	♀ sets 7 45 e.	05 286 32 3 29			
Wednesday	30 Claud of Turn	" 24; 25: 9 24	21	Spica sets 8 8 e. ♀ in ♀	sun 5 306 30 4 10			
Thursday	31 Aidan	" 26: 10 17	5	♀ rises 10 10 e.	fast 5 316 29 5 2			

### Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 4th, 11 o'clock, 23 minutes, evening.

New Moon, 11th 3 " 47 " afternoon.

First Quarter, 19th, 4 " 51 " morning.

Full Moon, 27th, 3 " 42 " morning.

### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, thunder; 4, 5, 6, fair and warm; 7, 8, 9, thunder showers; 10, 11, 12, variable; 13, 14, 15, sultry and warm; 16, 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, rain; 21, 22, 23, warmest days; 24, 25, clear; 26, 27, 28, cool showers; 29, 30, fair; 31, clear.

## AUGUST.

### The Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip.

This organization, composed of young men, starting in the Reformed Church, has now regular branches in the Dutch Reformed, Presbyterian and Congregational Churches. Each of the denominations has an Executive Council which are united in a Federal Council.

The Brotherhood has at present eighty-two chapters; seventy-four of them are now active. There is every prospect the number will increase year by year.

The duties of the members are to keep the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service. The former is to pray daily for the spread of Christ's Kingdom among young men and the blessing of God upon the Brotherhood. The latter is to make an earnest effort each week to bring at least one young man within the hearing of the Gospel, either at church services, Bible class or prayer meeting.

The Fourth Convention of the Brotherhood was held in Bethlehem, Pa., September 9-11. It was well attended. Rev. Rufus W. Miller, founder of the Brotherhood, is President of the Executive Council.

No church is a true church which has not the missionary spirit, which does not go out into the lanes and byways, and which does not seek to bring men and women under its influence by carrying its Gospel to them when they do not come to it. The church is not to be a mere passive agency in the community; its work against ignorance, superstition, vice and crime must be earnestly aggressive if it is to be a beacon light instead of a dark lantern.—*Christian Register*.

Not how little, but how much can you do for Christ and His Church.



REV. HENRY K. MILLER.

The new Missionary to Sendai, Japan.

### Seven Good Days.

Sunday's hours are all the Lord's,  
Holy rest the day affords.  
Monday should our work begin,  
Tuesday find us wiring in.  
All through Wednesday persevere.  
Thursday work and sing with  
cheer.  
Friday still with zeal engage.  
Saturday home with all our wage.  
Grace and peace all through the  
seven,  
Make the week a bit of heaven.

### Living Epistles.

ALL around us are people who never go to church, who never hear the Gospel, preached; who will not read the word of God, but they will read us. They can't help doing that. They couldn't understand the Bible if they did read it, but they can understand us. If Christ is in our lives, they

will be sure to see Him, and be drawn to Him. We are living epistles that those about us will be sure to see and read. How important then, that we should not have any blots on the pages we present to the world! Let us try to make our lives pure.

THE reason why some churches and institutions do not receive large gifts is because they are beggars. Large gifts are never given to beggars. They do not deserve them. The individual, or church, or institution that appropriates to itself and practices the doctrine that it is more blessed to give than to receive, will after all receive most—as it deserves to. “He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.”

Good resolutions are beautiful to look upon, but they are like the beautiful blossoms upon the trees that fill the air with their delicious fragrance for a few days only—liable to be blown off by the first strong wind. Good resolutions need deep purposes to sustain them, lest the winds of temptation scatter the blossoms of hope.

# SEPTEMBER,

9th Month 30 Days.

1893.

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Friday	1 Anna	Acts 27:	11 12	18	♀ in perihelion ♂ ♀ ☽.	05	32 6 28	5 55
Saturday	2 Mamas	" 28:	11 45	2	♂ ♀ ☽. ♀ sets 7 46 e.	15	33 6 27	6 42
36] 14th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	3 Hildegarde	Eph. 1: 1-14	morn.	15	3. ♂ ψ ☽. Aldebaran sets 7 53 e.	15	35 6 25	7 24
Monday	4 Ida v. Herzfeld	" 1: 15; 2: 1-10	12 37	27	☽ in per. ♂ ☽. Sirius sets 2 36 ☽	15	36 6 24	8 17
Tuesday	5 John Mollio	" 2: 11; 3:	1 30	10	□ ☽. Sirius sets 2 36 ☽	15	37 6 23	9 10
Wednesday	6 Martin Weibel	" 4: 1-17	2 25	22	♀ rises 9 47 e.	25	39 6 21	10 2
Thursday	7 Laz. Spengler	" 4: 18	3 15	4	♂ sets 7 30 e.	25	40 6 20	10 47
Friday	8 Corbinian	" 5; 6: 1-9	3 45	16	Orion rises 12 12 m.	25	41 6 19	11 42
Saturday	9 Luigi Pasquali	" 6: 10	4 33	28	♂ ♀ ☽. ♂ ☽	35	43 6 17	12 37
37] 15th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	10 Paul Seperatus	Col. 1:	☽ sets	10	10. Algenib south m.	35 44 6 16	1 34	
Monday	11 John Brenz	" 2; 3: 1-4	7 20	22	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. N. ♀ in ♀	35 45 6 15	2 7	
Tuesday	12 Dionys's Peloq'n	" 3: 5; 4:	7 50	4	♂ ♂ ☽. Andromeda south	45 47 6 13	2 55	
Wednesday	13 Wm. Farel	Philemon	8 17	16	♂ ♀ ☽. ♀ sets 7 30 e.	45 48 6 12	3 28	
Thursday	14 Cyprian	Philip. 1: 1-26	8 47	28	♂ ☽ ☽. Polaris 1 44 south m. ☽ in ♀	55 49 6 11	4 22	
Friday	15 A. v. Grumbach	" 1: 27; 2:	9 19	10	♀ rises 9 7	55 50 6 10	5 8	
Saturday	16 Euphemia	" 3; 4:	9 50	22	♀ stationary	55 52 6 8	5 56	
38] 16th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	17 Lambert	1 Tim. 1:	10 20	5	17. ☽ in apo.	65 53 6 7	6 47	
Monday	18 A. G. Spangenb'g	" 2:	10 55	18	♂ sets 6 50 e.	65 54 6 6	7 37	
Tuesday	19 Thos. of St. Paul	" 3:	11 26	1	♀ stationary	65 56 6 4	8 29	
Wednesday	20 Ember Day	" 3; 4: 1-10	morn.	15	♂ ♀ ☽ Superior	75 57 6 3	9 10	
Thursday	21 Jno. Jacob Moser	" 4: 11; 5: 16	12 29	0	♀ sets 7 22 e.	75 59 6 1	9 51	
Friday	22 Mauritius	" 5: 17	1 41	14	○ en- - - Day and Night Autumn begins.	76 0 6 0	10 49	
Saturday	23 Mart. of Geneva	" 6:	2 56	29	♀ rises 8 42	86 15 59 11	11 44	
39] 17th Sunday after Trinity.								
Sunday	24 Jno. Jacob Moser	Titus 1:	4 10	14	6 ♀ ☽ Capella 4 56 m	86 25 58 12	30	
Monday	25 Augsb'g Treaty	" 2:	☽ rises	29	25. Rigel rises 11 22 e.	86 35 57 1	18	
Tuesday	26 Lioba	" 3:	7 5	14	Antares sets 8 32 e.	96 45 56 2	5	
Wednesday	27 Phil. Graveron	2 Tim. 1:	7 56	29	♂ sets 6 27 e. ☽ in ♀	96 65 54 2	51	
Thursday	28 A. Carenbach	" 2:	8 49	13	♀ sets 7 23 e.	96 75 53 3	49	
Friday	29 St. Michael	" 3:	9 44	27	☽ in per. ♂ ♀ ☽	106 85 52 4	41	
Saturday	30 Jerome	" 4:	10 42	10	♂ ♀ ♂. ♂ ☽	106 105 50 5	38	

### Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 3d, 4 o'clock, 41 minutes, morning.  
 New Moon, 10th, 2 " 4 " "  
 First Quarter, 17th, 11 " 18 " evening.  
 Full Moon, 25th, 3 " 23 " "

### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, cloudy; 3, 4, rain; 5, 6, 7, fair and cool; 8, 9, cloudy; 10, 11, windy; 12, 13, rain; 14, 15, 16, mild; 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, 22, warm; 23, 24, cloudy; 25, 26, variable; 27, 28, 29, stormy with rain; 30, fair.

(♂). Mars is in conjunction with the Sun on the 4th, and cannot be seen.

## SEPTEMBER.



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The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE consists of the *Pres't*, *V.-Pres't*, *Sect'y*, J. J. Leberman, D. D., and Elder C. M. Boush.

The English missions are now under the General Board, those of the Bi-Synodic Board having been transferred April 19, 1892. The Synodical Boards are auxiliary or advisory to the General Board. Rev. A. C. Whitmer is Superintendent of the mis-

sions within the bounds of the Eastern and Potomac Synods, and moneys are to be sent to the Treasurer, J. J. Nissley. Eight missions became self-supporting, six were added. There are at present ninety missions, including the Harbor Mission, on the roll. At several important points missions will be established during the present year.

The Hungarian work at and around Cleveland, O., and Pittsburg, Pa., is being successfully pushed forward. Pastors Jurany and Kovacs are the right men for it and the Church should provide liberally for its support. Another missionary is necessary.

During the past year there was received from the church \$33,500.00, for the coming year there will be needed \$36,000, with \$2,200 for the Hungarian work.

Church extension should be encouraged. Up to the present date 1,100 five dollar subscriptions have been received. More are needed. Special building funds of \$500 will help the Board to establish missions in our cities. Help all these.

# OCTOBER,

10th Month 31 Days.

1893.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. F. RISES SUN SETS M. H. M. H. M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA.
40] 18th Sunday after Trinity.							
Sunday	1 Remigius	Heb. 1:	11 40	23	☽ 2 rises 8 10 e. ☽	10 6 11 5 46	6 36
Monday	2 Chr. Schmidt	" 2 :	morn.	6	☽ 2. Sirius <sup>rises</sup> 6 6 m. ☉	11 6 12 5 48	7 33
Tuesday	3 The two Ewalds	" 3; 4 :	12 29	18	Rigel sets 10 3 e.	11 6 13 5 47	8 32
Wednesday	4 Franciscus	" 5 :	1 31	0	☽ in ♀. Formal <sup>south</sup> 9 56 e.	11 6 15 5 45	9 28
Thursday	5 Petro Carnesec	" 6 :	2 36	12	Markab south 9 52 e.	12 6 16 5 44	10 26
Friday	6 Henry Albert	" 7 :	3 38	24	♀ sets 7 10 e.	12 6 17 5 43	11 13
Saturday	7 Theodore Beza	" 8 :	4 41	6	Algenib south 11 1 e.	12 6 19 5 41	12 7
41] 19th Sunday after Trinity.							
Sunday	8 Robt. of Lincoln	Heb. 9: 1-14	5 44	18	☽ 6 ☽ 6 ☽ 6 ☽	12 6 20 5 40	12 50
Monday	9 Dionysius Areo	" 9: 15	☽ sets	0	☽ 9. 6 ½ ☽	13 6 21 5 39	1 32
Tuesday	10 Justus Jonas	" 10: 1-18	6 15	12	6 ♀ ☽ 2 <sup>rises</sup> 7 35 e. ☽ in ♀	13 6 23 5 37	2 16
Wednesday	11 U. Zwingli died	" 10: 19	6 53	24	6 ☽ 2. Polaris <sup>south</sup> 11 54 e.	13 6 24 5 36	3 1
Thursday	12 Henry Bullinger	" 11:	7 38	6	6 ♀. Scorpii	13 6 25 5 35	3 48
Friday	13 Elizabeth Fry	" 12:	8 24	19	6 ♀ ☽. ♀ sets 7 7 e.	14 6 27 5 33	4 37
Saturday	14 Mich. Ridley	" 13:	9 14	2	Archernar south 12 3	14 6 28 5 32	5 27
42] 20th Sunday after Trinity.							
Sunday	15 Aurelia	Matt. 3:	10 3	15	☽ in apo. ♀ in Aphelion	14 6 29 5 31	6 16
Monday	16 Gallus	" 4: 1-22	10 53	28	☽ 6 ♀ ☽ in Aphelion	14 6 31 5 29	6 53
Tuesday	17 Rev. Edict of Nantes	" 4: 23; 5: 1-12	11 43	13	☽ 17. Hamel <sup>south</sup> 12 18 m. ☽	15 6 32 5 28	7 38
Wednesday	18 St. Luke Evang.	" 5: 13-32	morn.	25	☽ rises 6 59 e.	15 6 33 5 27	8 7
Thursday	19 Bruno	" 5: 33-48	12 32	9	7* south 12 5 m.	15 6 34 5 26	8 49
Friday	20 F. Lamb't of Avi	" 6:	1 34	23	♀ sets 7 5 e.	15 6 35 5 25	9 36
Saturday	21 Hilarion	" 7:	2 29	8	Aldebaran south 2 31 m.	15 6 37 5 23	10 22
43] 21st Sunday after Trinity.							
Sunday	22 Hedwig	Matt. 8: 1-17	3 41	23	Antares sets 7 11 e.	15 6 38 5 22	11 7
Monday	23 Henry Martin	" 8: 18-34	4 44	8	☽ entere ♀	16 6 39 5 21	11 54
Tuesday	24 Arethas	" 9:	5 47	23	☽ Rigel <sup>rises</sup> 7 35 e. ☽ in ♀	16 6 41 5 19	12 44
Wednesday	25 John Herz	" 10:	6 31	7	☽ 25. Sirius <sup>rises</sup> 11 1 e.	16 6 42 5 18	1 42
Thursday	26 Frederick III.	" 11:	7 31	21	☽ rises 6 28 e.	16 6 43 5 17	2 24
Friday	27 Frumentius	" 12:	8 5	23	☽ in per. 6 24 e. ☽	16 6 44 5 16	3 22
Saturday	28 Simeon and Jude	" 13:	8 27	18	Orion rises 9 12	16 6 45 5 15	4 21
44] 22d Sunday after Trinity.							
Sunday	29 Alfred the Great	Matt. 14:	9 28	1	♀ sets 7 12 e.	16 6 47 5 13	5 19
Monday	30 Jacob Sturm	" 15:	10 40	14	☽ Capella <sup>south</sup> 2 34 m. ☉	16 6 48 5 12	6 18
Tuesday	31 Reformation Fes.	" 16:	11 30	28	☽ 31. 6 3 ½	16 6 49 5 11	7 13

### Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 2d, 10 o'clock, 18 minutes, forenoon.  
 New Moon, 9th, 3 " 27 " afternoon.  
 First Quarter, 17th, 6 " 19 " evening.  
 Full Moon, 25th, 2 " 27 " morning.  
 Last Quarter, 31st, 5 " 42 " evening.

### Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, fair with showers; 3, 4, 5, variable; 6, 7, 8, fair; 9, 10, variable; 11, 12, 13, clear; 14, 15, 16, 17, frosty; 18, 19, rain; 20, 21, misty; 22, 23, 24, variable; 25, 26, snow flurries; 27, 28, fair; 29, 30, 31, frosty.

(b.) Saturn is in conjunction with the Sun on the 8th, and cannot be seen.

## OCTOBER.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LANCASTER, PA.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH was organized in February, 1850, about one hundred members from the First Church entering into the organization.

The present Church dedicated, November 9th, 1851. Keyes, the first pastor, who gregation, from 1851 to pastors since then have been: mund, 1856-64; Rev. Henry 67; Rev. Edwin H. Nevin, 70; Rev. O. L. Ashen- 72; Rev. J. B. Shumaker, 86; and the present pastor,

Rev. N. A. served the con- 1855. The Rev. I. S. De- Mosser, 1864- D. D., 1867- felter, 1871- D. D., 1873- Rev. J. W.



ST. PAUL'S REFORMED CHURCH.

REV. J. W. MEMINGER, Pastor.

The Eastern Synod met in this Church, October 19th, 1892.

Meminger, installed 1887. Its present membership is 550, having doubled in numbers during the past five years. The Sunday School numbers over 450. The congregation is therefore in a highly prosperous condition.

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To have each day the things I wish  
Lord, seemeth best to me!  
But not to have some things I wish  
Lord, seemeth best to Thee.

Henceforth, then, let Thy will be done!  
Though mine, O God, be crossed;  
'T is good to see my plans o'erthrown,  
Myself in Thee all lost.

### LESSON HELPS FOR OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

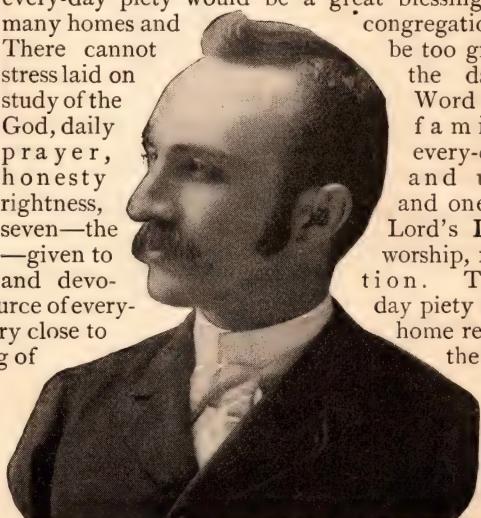
THE lesson helps are now published under the auspices of the Sunday School Board of the General Synod. The same lessons and comments are used all over the Church, East and West, North and South. There is a great improvement in them over those formerly published. They consequently are calculated to aid greatly, teachers and scholars, in the study of their lessons. Teachers have the *Heidelberg Teacher* for their use.

The large scholars have the *Scholars' Quarterly* and the *Advanced Lesson Papers*, whilst the infant scholars have the *Primary Lesson Paper* for their use.

The comments upon the lessons are from the standpoint of the Church, and consequently the *Helps* containing them are the only proper ones for Sunday Schools of the Reformed Church to use. This should claim the attention of officers of the Sunday Schools of the Church. Reformed Schools should use nothing else.

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SOMEHOW the term "piety" has lost its former prominence. A revival of old-fashioned every-day piety would be a great blessing to many homes and congregations. There cannot be too great stress laid on the daily Word of God, daily study of the Word of God, daily prayer, honesty and uprightness, seven—the given to and devotional source of every day piety lies very close to home reading of the Bible.



REV. J. W. MEMINGER.

ble, prayer in the home and a proper observance of the Lord's Day.—*Selected.*

## **NOVEMBER,**

### **11th Month 30 Days.**

1893.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. Fs. M. H.	SUN RISES M. H.	SETS M. H.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Wednesday	1 All Saints	Matt. 17:	morn.	9	Wega sets 12 28 m. ☉	166	51	5	9 8 34
Thursday	2 All Souls	" 18:	12 12	21	6 ♈ ☽ Formal <sup>south</sup> <sub>8 16</sub> e.	166	52	5	8 9 21
Friday	3 Priminus	" 19:	1 6	3	♀ sets 7 21 e.	166	53	5	7 10 5
Saturday	4 John A. Bengel	" 20: 1-16	2 8	15	☽ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	166	54	5	6 10 48

45] 4th Sunday before Advent.

Matt. 9: 18-26; Col. 1: 9-14.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 10 minutes.

Sunday	5 Hans Egede	John 21: 1-23	3 13	27	gr. Elong E.	sets e.	166	55	5	11	35	
Monday	6 Gustav. Adolph	1 John 1: 2:	4 23	9	δ h D.	δ δ D.	D in ♀	166	56	5	412	12
Tuesday	7 Willibrord	" 3:	5 28	21	♀ gr. Hel.	Lat. S.	δ ♀ D.	166	57	5	312	58
Wednesday	8 Willehad	" 4:	D sets	3	8.	♀ south	12 28	166	58	5	2	20
Thursday	9 John v. Staupitz	" 5:	5 46	16	h rises 4	20		166	59	5	1	2
Friday	10 Martin Luther	2 John	6 35	29	δ ♀ D.	Archernar	south	167	0	5	0	47
Saturday	11 Martin of Tours	3 "	7 24	12	D in apo.	Sirius	rises	10 32	167	14	59	3 21

46] 3d Sunday before Advent.

Matt. 24: 15-28; 1 Thess. 4: 13-18.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 56 min.

<b>Sunday</b>	12 Phil. de Mornay	Rev. 1:	8 14		25	♂ ♀ ☽ . ♀ sets 7 30 e.	167	24 58	4 13
Monday	13 Arcadius	" 2:	8 43		9	Hamel south 10 26 e. ☽	167	34 57	5 4
Tuesday	14 Pet. Mart. Verm.	" 3:	9 51		22	2½ south 12 2 m.	157	44 56	5 54
Wednesday	15 John Kepler	" 4; 5; 6; 1-12	10 40		6	Algal south 11 27 e.	157	54 55	6 42
Thursday	16 Casp. Creuziger	" 7; 8; 9:	11 21		20	16. ♀ stationary	157	64 54	7 38
Friday	17 Bernwald	" 9; 18; 10; 11:	morn		5	½ rises 3 53 m.	157	74 53	8 33
Saturday	18 Greg. Illuminat.	" 12; 13:	12 20		19	8 2½ ☽. Aldebaran 12 41 m.	157	84 52	9 27

47] 2d Sunday before Advent.

**Matt. 25:31-36; 1 Thess. 1:3-10.**

**Day's Length, 9 hours, 42 min.**

Sunday	19	Elizab. of Hesse	Rev. 14:	1	41	3	♀ sets	7 36 e.	147	94	51	10	18	
Monday	20	John Williams	" 14: 14-20	2	51	17	♂ rises	4 59 m.	in Ω	147	104	50	11	17
Tuesday	21	Columbanus	" 15:	4	10	1	7*	south 11 58 e.		147	114	49	12	6
Wednesday	22	J. Oecolampadius	" 16: 1-8	5	20	15	24	south 11 26 e.	⊕ en- tera 1	147	124	48	12	58
Thursday	23	Clemens Roman	" 16: 9	⌚ rises	29	23	6 24 ♂	in Ω	137	134	47	1	20	
Friday	24	John Knox	" 17:	5	46	13	⌚ in per.	6 ♀ ♂	Orion rises 7 23	137	144	46	2	22
Saturday	25	Catharine	" 18:	6	52	26	⌚ rises	3 25		137	154	45	3	29

48] 1st Sunday before Advent.

**Matt. 25 : 1-13 ; 1 Peter 3 : 3-14.**

**Day's Length, 9 hours, 30 min.**

<b>Sunday</b>	26	Conrad	Rev. 19: 1-10	7	54		9			Inferior	127	154	45	4	35
Monday	27	Marg't Blauer	" 19: 11; 20: 1-3	8	54		22			rises 4 49 m.	127	164	44	5	35
Tuesday	28	Alex. Russell	" 20: 4	9	52		5			in Perihelion	127	174	43	6	30
Wednesday	29	Saturninus	" 21: 1-8	10	43		17			sets 7 44 e.	117	174	43	7	19
Thursday	30	St. Andrew	" 21: 9; 22: 11	29		29				30. ♃ south 10 50 e.	117	184	42	8	4

## Moon's Phases.

New Moon, 8th, 7 o'clock, 56 minutes, morning

First Quarter, 16th, 12 " 44 " noon

Full Moon, 23d, 1 " 8 " afternoon.

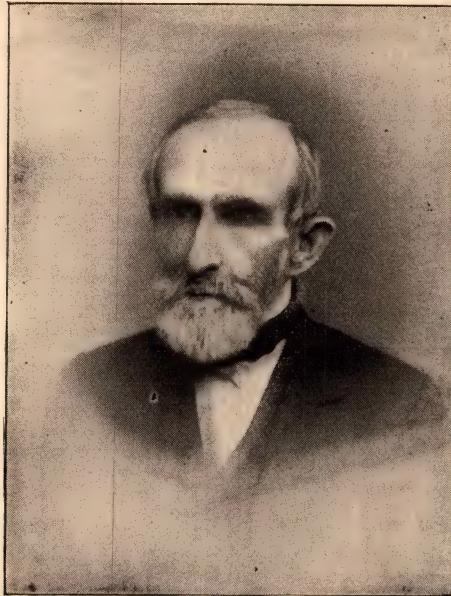
Last Quarter, 30th, 4 " 8 " morning.

## **Conjectures of the Weather.**

1, 2, clear and cool; 3, 4, warmer; 5, 6, 7, variable; 8, 9, stormy; 10, 11, 12, cold; 13, 14, cloudy; 15, 16, snow flurries; 17, 18, clear; 19, 20, 21, variable; 22, 23, rain; 24, 25, fair; 26, 27, 28, Indian Summer; 29, 30, rain.

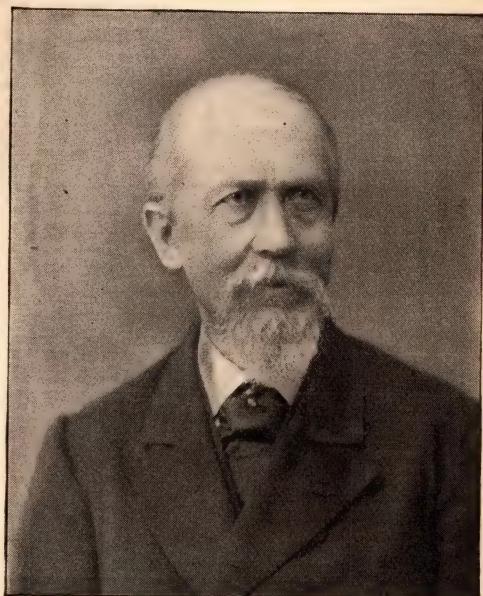
(24.) Jupiter is in opposition with the Sun on the 18th, and shines all night.

## NOVEMBER.



THE LATE WILLIAM M. NEVIN, LL. D.,

Emeritus Alumni Professor of Belles Letters, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. Died February 11th, 1892.



THE LATE HON. LEWIS H. STEINER, M.D.,

Librarian of Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md.  
Died February 18th, 1892.

### CHURCH PAPERS.

NO INTELLIGENT church-member can now afford to dispense with the paper which keeps him posted in regard to the proceedings of our Classes and Synods, the condition of our colleges and theological seminaries, the organization of new congregations and the erection of new houses of worship, the settlement of new pastors, the work of our Church committees, the new books best worth reading, the progress of home and foreign missions, the actual condition of religion in all parts of the world, the new phases of unbelief by which it is assailed, the hindrances to its progress, whether from internal or external foes, and the methods by which it may be extended to the ends of the earth.

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths; in feelings, not in figures on dial; we should count time by heart throbs. He most lives who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

### A PURE HOME.

THERE is nothing on earth for which one ought to be more thankful than for having been brought up in the atmosphere of a pure home. Such a home may be narrow, and even hard. It may be deficient in material comforts, and utterly lack the graceful amenities that lend a charm to human life; but it has in it the forces on which great characters are nurtured. One—a man as sturdy as a forest oak—once said: "I was the son of poor parents, and from my youth up was inured to self-denial and hardship; but I do not remember ever to have heard a word from the lips of either my father or my mother that was not as chaste as the driven snow." Better such a recollection as that than an inheritance of millions in money.

THE *Reformed Church Messenger*, one dollar for the first year to strictly new subscribers.





THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, BY STATES,  
ACCORDING TO THE CENSUS OF 1890. TOTAL, 204,018.

#### MORE BLESSED.

Christ says, "Ask, and ye shall receive." Gladly dost thou the promise believe; Ask is the golden key to the door Of heaven's bounteous, boundless store.

Christ the Lord speaks again to thee, A lesson of strange, sweet mystery; Wilt thou *this* wonderful word believe, "To give is more blessed than to receive?"  
—Helen A. Walker.

GOOD resolutions are beautiful to look upon, but they are like the beautiful blossoms upon the trees that fill the air with their delicious fragrance for a few days only—liable to be blown off by the first strong wind. Good resolutions need deep purposes to sustain them, lest the winds of temptation scatter the blossoms of hope.

THOUSANDS of people would work like beavers in the church, if they could only do it where everybody would see them at it.

ENCOURAGE and support the Harbor Missions. Charles Santee, 532 North Sixth St., Philadelphia, is the Treasurer, and Paul Sommerlatte, 30 State St., New York, is the missionary.

THE church entertainment may seem to be a very little snake when you first look at it, but it will be found to have the same kind of poison under the tongue that the big snakes have.

PREMIUM TRACTS, Nos. 1, 2 and 8, Also, "Why Go to Church?" and Booklets, "Why Am I Reformed?" and "The Church Question."

THESE should be circulated. Every member should have a copy of them to read and profit by. They will do good. Write to REFORMED CHURCH PUBLICATION HOUSE, Philadelphia, for a supply.

ARE you a reader of your church paper?



## NECROLOGY.

FROM OCTOBER 1, 1891, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1892.

**JOERRIS, REV. PETER.**—Born at Baed, Moers County, Prussia, May 2d, 1824. Came to this country Aug. 9th, 1847. Studied at Heidelberg Seminary, Tiffin, O. Licensed and ordained 1857. Served the following charges: Upper Sandusky, Watertown, Wis., Sturgis, Mich., Poland, Ind., Olney, Ills. Served Poland, eighteen years. Upon his retirement on account of ill-health, removed to Poland, Ind. Married Miss Aletta Newman, March 11th, 1850, who with seven sons and three daughters survives him. Died October 26th, aged 67 years, 5 months and 24 days. Buried in cemetery at Poland, Ind.

**LEBERMAN, REV. D. D.**—Son of Jacob L. Leberman; born May 16th, 1841. Studied at Heidelberg College and Seminary, Tiffin, O. Licensed and ordained, 1864. First charge, Titusville, Pa. Ill-health obliged him to seek rest. In 1867 he became supply and later, pastor, at Meadville, Pa. Although in ill-health all the time, he served it eight years, and resigned to engage in missionary work in California, with the hope to recuperate his health. Failing to do so he again returned to Meadville. He then engaged in secular work till his death. Married May 8th, 1864, to Miss Julia E. Parsons, who with two children survives him. Died January 2d, 1892, aged 50 years, 7 months and 16 days. Buried at Meadville, Pa.

**KESTER, REV. JOSEPH.**—Son of Jacob and Salome Kester. Born in Whetstone Twp., O., November 1st, 1829. Licensed in 1865, ordained 1866. First charge, Manor, O., three years; second, Canaan, ten years; third, Carolina, O., which he served until his retirement, five years and eight months. Married Seville Schroll, January, 1853, who with two sons and six daughters survive him. Died January 3d, 1892, aged 62 years, 2 months and 2 days. Buried at Wingert's Corners.

**ROMEIS, REV. JOHN.**—Born April 9th, 1824, in Frysa, Kurhessen, Germany. Connected with Orphans' Home at Elberfeld. Came to America in 1861. Studied theology at Mission House, Sheboygan, Wis. Licensed and ordained 1863. Labored in Benton, Minn., La Crosse, Wis., Benton again, Van Dyere, Wis., Antigo, Wis. Retired in 1891. Married in 1864 to Regina Buscher, who with seven children survives him. Died January 15th, 1892, aged 67 years, 9 months and 16 days. Buried at Antigo, Wis.

**MCCAULEY, D. D., REV. CHARLES FIREY.**—Son of Hugh and Catherine (Houser) McCauley. Born on Ringgold's Manor, Washington Co., Md., January 5th, 1816. Early education in country school, and High School of the church. Graduated from Yale College 1838. Graduated from Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., 1843. Licensed and ordained 1843. First charge, Mercersburg, Pa., two years; second, Middletown, Md., ten years; third and last, Second Church, Reading, Pa., thirty-six years. Resigned on account of feeble health. Became pastor emeritus, 1891. Married May 2d, 1844, to Maria Hoke, Mercersburg, Pa.

Union was blessed with eight children, of whom six survive him, two sons and four daughters. His wife died August 13th, 1879. Died June 19th, 1892, aged 76 years, 5 years and 14 days. Buried in Charles Evans' Cemetery, Reading, Pa.

**DAVIS, D. D., REV. P. S.**—Son of Hon. Elias Davis. Born in Boonesboro', Md., March 21st, 1828. Prepared for college by private tutors. Graduated from Marshall College 1849. Studied theology at Mercersburg, and Princeton Seminaries. Licensed 1850. Assistant to Rev. E. Heiner, D. D., Baltimore, Md. Ordained 1853. First charge, Winchester, Va., four years. Resigned to become Professor of the Mt. Washington Female College, near Baltimore, Md. Second charge, Norristown, Pa., four years; third, Chambersburg, Pa., eleven years. Elected Editor-in-Chief of *Reformed Church Messenger* in 1875, removed to Philadelphia. Resigned 1887. Lived in retirement at Plainfield, N. J., Chicago, Ills., and Wyoming, O. Married Emma Phreaner, January 26th, 1860, who with one daughter survives him. Died at Wyoming, O., August 9th, 1892, aged 64 years, 4 months and 8 days. Buried at Cincinnati, O.

**MEASE, D. D., REV. SAMUEL.**—Son of Lewis J. and Mary (Zehring) Mease. Born near Miamisburg, O., March 13th, 1828. Graduated from Franklin and Marshall College 1853. Was licensed and ordained 1855. First and only charge, Cincinnati, O., which he served fourteen years, and resigned to become editor and publisher of *Christian World* published in Cincinnati, and then removed to Dayton, O., which positions he filled until April 1st, 1880. Same year he removed to Chicago. After the death of his wife he removed to Beatrice, Neb. From there he removed to Lincoln, Neb., where he died August 17th, 1892, aged 64 years, 5 months and 4 days. Buried at Lincoln, Neb.

**MILLER, REV. M. A.**—Born in New London, O., August 12th, 1809. Did missionary work for a number of years in Ohio, and was in the active ministry of the Reformed Church for fifty years. Pastor at Uniontown, O., nine years; New Jefferson two years, and in 1869 became pastor at Carrollton, O. Retired in 1889 on account of failing health. Married twice, last time to Annie Wisler, who with five children survives him. Died December 10th, 1891, aged 82 years, 3 months and 18 days. Buried at New London, O.

**REITER, REV. C. H.**—Born October 17th, 1816. Graduated from Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., and licensed and ordained 1855. First charge, Carrollton, O., four years; second, Smithville, O., nine years; third, Aaronsburg, Pa., seven years; fourth, Augusta, Pa., three years; Woodcock Valley, Pa., three years; Orbisonia, Pa., three years; Glencoe, Pa., his last. Retired to Markelsburg, Pa. Died November 17th, aged 75 years and 1 month. A wife and four children—one son and three daughters—survive him. Buried at Markelsburg, Pa.

## PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

### FROM OCTOBER 1st, 1891, TO SEPTEMBER 30th, 1892.

1891.		1892.
Oct.	1—Laying of corner-stone of Fourth Reformed Church, Dayton, O.	Feb. 11—Death of William M. Nevin, LL.D., Emeritus Alumni, Professor of English Literature and Belles Lettres, Franklin and Marshal College, Lancaster, Pa.
"	7—Annual Meeting of the Synod of the Northwest, Fort Wayne, Ind., President, Rev. C. F. Kriete, Stated Clerk, Rev. J. J. Jannett.	" 18—Death of Hon. Louis H. Steiner, M. D., Librarian of Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md.
"	" Annual Meeting of the Synod of Ohio, Bellevue, O., President, Rev. D. Van Horne, D. D., Stated Clerk, Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D.	" 28—Dedication of Trinity Church, Pottsville, Pa., Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, pastor.
"	11—Dedication of Trinity Reformed Church, Oak Ridge, Pa., Rev. R. F. Gass, pastor.	March 6—Opening of Lecture and S. S. Rooms of Immanuel's new church, Hazleton, Pa., Rev. A. Noll, pastor.
"	13—Annual Meeting of the Synod of the Potowmac, Chambersburg, Pa., President, Rev. C. U. Heilman, Stated Clerk, Rev. W. M. Deatrick, D. D.	" 25—Semi-Centennial of the pastorate of Rev. G. W. Welker, D. D., Lamont, N. C.
"	15—Annual Meeting of Synod of the Interior, Council, Iowa, President, Rev. J. W. Love, Stated Clerk, Rev. G. D. Gurley.	April 20—Transfer of Missions under Bi-Synodic Board, to General Synod's Board, Lancaster, Pa. Missions of the Church to be hereafter under the latter Board.
"	18—Laying of corner-stone new church, Troutville, Pa., Rev. J. F. Wiant, pastor.	May 5—Annual Commencement of Theological Department of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.; <i>three</i> graduates.
"	21—Annual Meeting of the Eastern Synod, Reformed Church, Salem, Harrisburg, Pa., President, Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D. D., Stated Clerk, Rev. Jno. P. Stein.	" 5—Annual Commencement of Heidelberg Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O.; <i>three</i> graduates.
"	25—Sailing of Miss Mary E. Hollowell, from Vancouver, as missionary to Japan.	" 8—Laying corner-stone of St. Stephen's Church, Highfield, Md., Rev. J. R. Lewis, pastor.
"	" Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Trinity Church, Rev. J. O. Miller, D. D. pastor.	" 12—Re-organization of the Alumni Association of the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Rev. F. A. Rupley, D. D., President, Rev. T. J. Hacker, Secretary, Rev. J. C. Bowman, Treasurer.
"	26—Death of the Rev. Peter Joerris, Poland, Ind.	" " Sixty-seventh Anniversary of Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.; <i>fifteen</i> graduates.
Nov.	1—Dedication of new church, at Zion, Centre Co., Pa., Rev. M. O. Noll, pastor.	" 15—Dedication of Heidelberg Church, Schwenecksville, Pa., Rev. S. M. K. Huber, pastor.
"	" Dedication of new church at Malvern, O.	" " Twenty-fifth Anniversary of pastorate of Rev. D. W. Gerhard, at Heller's Salem Church, Lancaster Co., Pa.
"	8—Arrival of Miss Mary E. Hollowell, at Yokohama, Japan.	" 19—Fortieth Annual Commencement of Catawba College, Newton, N. C.; <i>three</i> graduates.
"	17—Death of Rev. C. H. Reiter, Markelsburg, Hunt. Co., Pa.	June 5—One Hundredth Anniversary of First Church (Tabor) Lebanon, Pa., Rev. D. E. Klopp, D. D., pastor.
"	29—Seventeenth Anniversary of St. Luke's Church, Lancaster, Pa., Rev. W. F. Lichliter, pastor.	" " Dedication of Trinity Church, Canton, O., Rev. E. P. Herbruck, pastor.
Dec.	10—Death of Rev. M. A. Miller, New London, O.	" " Dedication of Zion's Church, Nanticoke, Pa., Rev. J. C. Glantz, pastor.
1892.		" 7—Annual Meeting and Dinner of Central Pennsylvania Alumni Association of Franklin and Marshall College, at Logan House, Altoona, Pa.
Jan.	1—Dedication of new church, Boundary City, Ind., Rev. A. Klinger, pastor.	" 12—Dedication of St. Andrew's Church, Coburn, Centre Co., Pa., Rev. Geo. E. Addams, pastor.
"	2—Death of Rev. D. D. Leberman, Meadville, Pa.	" 16—Annual Commencement of Heidelberg University, Tiffin, O.; <i>eight</i> graduates.
"	3—Death of Rev. Jos. Kester, Lykens Twp., Crawford Co., O.	" " Annual Commencement of Mercersburg College, Mercersburg, Pa.; <i>five</i> graduates.
"	10—Dedication of Church, Gettysburg, Pa., Rev. Barkley, pastor.	" " Annual Commencement of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.; <i>twenty-one</i> graduates.
"	17—Dedication of new church, Ringtown, Pa., Rev. N. W. Sechler, pastor.	
"	25—Death of Rev. John Romeis, Antigo, Wis.	
"	28—Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Southern Alumni Association of Franklin and Marshall College, Hagerstown, Md.	
"	31—Dedication of new church, New Castle Schuylkill Co., Pa., Rev. T. J. Bower, pastor.	
Feb.	5—Sixth Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Franklin and Marshall Alumni Association of Philadelphia, Hotel Bellevue, Philadelphia.	

## PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH.—Continued.

1892.		1892.	
June.	17—Commencement of Palatinate College, Myerstown, Pa., and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of its existence; <i>seven</i> graduates.	Aug.	7—Dedication of St. Stephen's Church, Highfield, Md., Rev. J. R. Lewis, pastor.
"	19—Death of Rev. C. F. McCauley, D. D., Reading, Pa.	"	" Laying corner-stone of Trinity Church, Dayton, O., Rev. C. E. Miller, pastor.
"	" Laying of corner-stone St. Mark's Church, Reading, Pa., Rev. H. Y. Stoner, pastor.	"	" Reformed Reunion at Idlewild, Westmoreland Co., Pa.
"	23—Annual Commencement of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.; <i>eight</i> graduates.	"	9—Death of Rev. P. S. Davis, D. D., Wyoming, O.
"	" Election of Rev. H. W. Super, D. D., President of Ursinus College.	"	17—Death of Rev. Samuel Mease, D. D., Lincoln, Neb.
"	" Annual Commencement of Allentown Female College, Allentown, Pa.; <i>eighteen</i> graduates.	"	18—Third Annual Reformed Reunion, Penmar.
"	28—Closing Exercises of Clarion Collegiate Institute, Ringersburg, Pa., A. O. Reiter, acting-President.	"	25—Bethany Day—Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Pa.
"	" Election of S. W. Kerr, A. B., permanent Principal of Clarion Collegiate Institute.	"	25—31—The Butler Assembly of Reformed Members and Laymen, Butler, Pa.
July	1—Closing Exercises of Edgehill Institute, Littlestown, Pa., Rev. W. E. Krebs, A. M., Principal.	"	28—Laying corner-stone of new church, Hyndman, Bedford Co., Pa.
"	" Laying corner-stone of new church, Norwood, O., Rev. J. L. Schatz, pastor.	Sept.	1—Opening of Fall Session of Institutions—Seminary, College and Academy, Lancaster, Pa.
"	3—Fortieth Anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. D. F. Brendle, D. D., at Arndt's Church.	"	4—Laying corner-stone of new church, Tower City, Pa., Rev. L. D. Steckel, pastor.
"	" Laying of corner-stone of Harbaugh Church, Lehigh Co., Pa.; Harbaugh's Valley, Franklin Co., Pa., Rev. S. E. Stofflet, pastor.	"	8—Ordination of [ <i>hic.</i> ] Henry K. Miller, and Farewell Services as missionary to Sendai, Japan, in St. Paul's Church, Reading, Pa.
"	" Dedication of new church, Freeman, South Dakota.	"	9—11—Fourth Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip, Christ Church, Bethlehem, Pa.
"	9—Laying corner-stone of Mt. Zion Church, Bedford Co., Pa., Rev. A. S. Glessner, pastor.	"	14—German Synod of the East, at St. Paul's (German) Church, Philadelphia, Rev. P. H. Dippell, President, Rev. A. E. Dahlman, Stated clerk.
"	12—Dedication of Fourth Church, Dayton, O.	"	17—Laying corner-stone of new church, Parryville, Carbon Co., Pa., Rev. L. M. Kerschner, pastor.
"	13—Election of [ <i>hic.</i> ] Henry K. Miller, of Reading, as additional missionary to Sendai, Japan.	"	18—Laying corner-stone First Church, Royers' Ford, Pa., Rev. O. E. A. Rauch, pastor.
"	17—Dedication of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Pa., Rev. W. H. Bates, pastor.	"	21—Annual Meeting of the Central Synod, Second Church, Dayton, O., Rev. F. O. Zesch, President, Rev. J. Bachman, D. D., Stated Clerk.
"	24—Dedication of new church, Troutville, Pa., Rev. J. F. Wiant, pastor.	"	27—Sailing of Rev. Henry K. Miller, missionary to Sendai, Japan, from San Francisco, Cal.
"	27—Aug. 2—Meeting of Spiritual Conference, Lancaster, Pa.	"	28—Twenty-third Annual Meeting of Synod of Pittsburgh, Irwin, Pa., Rev. R. C. Bowling, President, Rev. J. M. Schick, D. D., Stated Clerk.
"	30—Laying of corner-stone of St. Paul's Church, Liscomb, Iowa, Rev. S. Ream, pastor.		

## FORM FOR BEQUESTS.

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Church in the United States,' of which Rev. Charles G. Fisher is at present Treasurer, the sum of.....dollars; to the 'Board of Education of the Synod of the Potomac, of which Rev. William M. Deatruck is at present Treasurer, the sum of.....dollars; to the Board of Beneficiary Education of the Pittsburgh Synod,' of which Rev. Cyrus R. Dieffenbacher, is at present Treasurer, the sum of.....dollars; to the 'Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located in Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of.....dollars; to the 'Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of.....dollars; to 'Bethany Orphans' Home,' located at Womelsdorf, Pa., the sum of.....dollars; and to 'St. Paul's Orphans' Home,' located at Butler, Pa., the sum of.....dollars. The several sums thus bequeathed to be used by the respective Associations for the general purposes of their organization."

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**Form of Constitution for Congregational Missionary Society.****ARTICLE I.**

This Society shall be known as the Missionary Society of \_\_\_\_\_ Reformed Church at \_\_\_\_\_, whose object shall be to advance the cause of missions.

**ARTICLE II.**

The officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, to serve one year.

**ARTICLE III.**

These officers, together with the Pastor as Chairman, shall be an Executive Committee, whose duty shall be: to arrange the program for monthly meetings and anniversary services, to examine and approve all readings, recitations, essays and reports, before they are given in public, and to carry out any instructions given by the Society.

**ARTICLE IV.**

This Executive Committee shall divide the congregation into several districts, and appoint two persons over each district as collectors, whose duty shall be to secure the names of new members, to collect every month the offerings of all the members and of others who may be monthly contributors, to report their work at each regular meeting and pay over their collections to the Treasurer. These collectors shall serve four months.

**ARTICLE V.**

Each member shall give as God has prospered him, but not less than five cents a month.

**ARTICLE VI.**

The Society shall meet on the first Wednesday evening of each month, the Pastor conducting or directing the devotional services, and the President presiding the remainder of the time.

**ARTICLE VII.**

The program for the regular meetings shall include singing, prayer, reading the Scriptures, reading the minutes, recitations, readings, addresses, report of the collectors, the offerings of those who have not otherwise given, unfinished business, new business.

**ARTICLE VIII.**

The money raised by this society shall be given only to the work of missions.

**ARTICLE IX.**

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting, notice of such amendment having been given at the previous regular meeting.

## WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

OBJECT.	IN WHAT SYNOD.	TREASURER.	ADDRESS.
Foreign Missions, . . . . .	General Synod, . . . . .	Jos. L. Lemberger, . . . . .	Lebanon, Pa.
Home Missions, . . . . .	" " . . . . .	Charles Santee, . . . . .	532 N. Sixth St., Phila., Pa.
" " . . . . .	{ Joint Synods, Eastern and Potomac.	John J. Nissley, . . . . .	Hummelstown, Pa.
" " . . . . .	German Synod of the East, .	Geo. Ehrlen, . . . . .	1937 Ridge Ave., Phila., Pa.
" " . . . . .	Ohio Synod, . . . . .	J. J. Leberman, D. D., . . .	Louisville, Ohio.
" " . . . . .	Synod of the Northwest, . . .	Rev. C. Baum, . . . . .	Lima, O.
Beneficiary Education, . . . . .	Eastern Synod, . . . . .	Chas. G. Fisher, D. D., . . .	907 Arch St., Phila., Pa.
" " . . . . .	Ohio Synod, . . . . .	L. H. Kefauver, D. D., . . .	Tiffin, Ohio.
" " . . . . .	Pittsburgh Synod . . . . .	C. R. Dieffenbacher, D. D., . .	Greensburg, Pa.
" " . . . . .	Potomac Synod, . . . . .	Wm. M. Dearick, D. D., . .	Mercersburg, Pa.
Society for Relief of Ministers, .	General Synod, . . . . .	Rev. S. S. Miller, . . . . .	St. Petersburg, Pa.
Eastern Theological Seminary, .	Eastern Synod, . . . . .	John B. Roth, . . . . .	Lancaster, Pa.
Western " " . . . . .	Ohio Synod, . . . . .	I. H. Reiter, D. D., . . . .	Miamisburg, Ohio.
Franklin and Marshall College, .	Eastern Synod, . . . . .	Jacob Bausman, . . . . .	Lancaster, Pa.
Heidelberg University . . . . .	Ohio Synod, . . . . .	L. H. Kefauver, D. D., . . .	Tiffin, Ohio.
Mercersburg College, . . . . .	Potomac Synod, . . . . .	E. J. Bonbrake, Esq., . . . .	Chambersburg, Pa.
Ursinus College, . . . . .	Eastern Synod, . . . . .	Frank M. Hobson, . . . . .	Collegeville, Pa.
Sheboygan Mission Home, . . . .	Synod of the Northwest, . . .	C. F. Arpke, . . . . .	Franklin, Wis.
Bethany Orphan Home, . . . . .	Eastern Synod, . . . . .	C. G. Gross, . . . . .	879 N. 41st St., Phila., Pa.
St. Paul's Orphan Home, . . . .	Pittsburgh Synod, . . . . .	B. Wolf, Jr., . . . . .	304 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Missions among the Indians, .	Synod of the Northwest, . . .	Rev. Ludwig Zenk, . . . . .	Kiel, Manitowoc Co., Wis.
Calvin College, . . . . .	" " " " . . . . .	Rev. J. F. Winter, . . . . .	40 Louis St., Cleveland, O.
Reformed Orphan Home, . . . . .	" " " " . . . . .	Rev. C. Hartman, . . . . .	Fort Wayne, Ind.
Catawba College, . . . . .	" " Potomac, . . . . .	W. H. Williams, Esq., . . . .	Newton, N. C.
Clarion Collegiate Institute . . .	" " Pittsburgh, . . . . .		Rimersburg, Pa.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.  
BEING A TRIENNIAL EXHIBIT FOR THE LAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS.

	1869	1872	1875	1878	1881	1884	1887	1890
Synods, . . . . .	3	4	6	6	6	7	7	8
Classes, . . . . .	31	35	44	45	48	52	54	56
Ministers, . . . . .	526	586	631	710	762	783	802	846
Congregations, . . . . .	1,179	1,312	1,342	1,369	1,403	1,465	1,481	1,570
Members, . . . . .	117,910	130,299	142,872	147,788	161,002	169,530	183,980	202,833
Members Unconfirmed, . . . . .	68,362	73,288	87,120	90,993	96,147	103,112	108,729	111,240
Baptisms, given year, . . . . .	12,776	12,487	13,500	13,203	14,309	13,682	15,940	14,471
Baptisms, in 3 years, . . . . .	36,117	38,605	41,272	40,943	43,750	41,825	46,553	45,648
Confirmed, given year, . . . . .	7,068	7,462	8,766	8,456	9,113	9,233	10,733	10,292
Confirmed, in 3 years, . . . . .	20,183	23,247	25,233	26,753	28,240	27,223	30,558	31,116
Certificate, given year, . . . . .	3,592	3,369	3,733	3,716	4,113	5,043	5,582	6,721
Certificate, in 3 years, . . . . .	8,779	9,889	10,912	11,184	12,263	14,046	16,472	10,630
Communed, . . . . .	96,728	109,507	116,000	120,681	132,709	136,897	146,436	159,189
Dismissed, given year, . . . . .	1,637	1,454	1,725	1,566	2,249	2,122	2,551	3,024
Dismissed, in 3 years, . . . . .	4,459	4,762	5,000	5,185	5,791	5,819	7,250	6,614
Excommunicated or Erased, given year, . . . . .	144	318	387	174	1,626	1,767	2,419	3,318
Excommunicated or Erased, in 3 years, . . . . .	528	722	920	1,711	4,436	5,578	6,469	8,928
Deaths, given year, . . . . .	3,773	4,425	4,494	4,887	4,591	4,787	4,638	4,792
Deaths, in 3 years, . . . . .	11,186	12,594	12,000	14,102	14,492	15,292	14,207	14,888
Sunday-Schools, . . . . .	1,020	1,021	1,220	1,237	1,346	1,378	1,422	1,536
Sunday-School Scholars, . . . . .	49,000	63,038	75,868	89,982	103,511	114,720	122,695	140,026
Students for Ministry, . . . . .		75	123	157	141	145	186	299
Beneficial Contributions, given year, . . . . .	\$74,453	\$86,650	\$79,680	\$61,727	73,400	101,148	\$ 141,122	211,617
Beneficial Contributions, in 3 years, . . . . .	228,818	247,387	253,766	207,417	194,869	327,899	382,493	520,165
Congregational Purposes, given year, . . . . .			310,000	531,929	630,189	779,572	804,321	937,051
Congregational Purposes, in 3 years, . . . . .			700,000	1,305,905	1,738,213	2,193,018	2,298,228	2,678,957

## MEETING OF THE CLASSES.

CLASSES.	PLACE.	TIME.	STATED CLERKS AND THEIR P. O. ADDRESSES.
<b>Eastern Synod.</b>			
EAST PENNSYLVANIA . . . . .	Farmersville, Pa.	May 8, 1893	Rev. T. O. Stem, Easton, Pa.
EAST SUSQUEHANNA . . . . .	Elizabethville, Pa.	June 14, "	" J. Calvin Leinbach, Sunbury, Pa.
GOSHENHOPPEN . . . . .	Christ (Huber's) Ch., Niantic, Montg Co., Pa.	May 9, "	" C. S. Wiegand, Pottstown, Pa.
LANCASTER . . . . .	Steeltown, Pa.	April 13, "	" D. W. Gerhard, Lancaster, Pa.
LEBANON . . . . .	Bismarck, Pa.	May 8, "	" J. E. Hiester, D. D., Annville, Pa.
LEHIGH . . . . .	Lehighton, Pa.	May 15, "	" M. H. Diefenderfer, Allentown, Pa.
PHILADELPHIA . . . . .	Trinity Church, Philadelphia, Pa.	May 9, "	" J. H. Seehler, D. D., 714 N. 15th, St.,
SCHUYLKILL . . . . .	Mahanoy City, Pa.	May 1, "	" G. B. Walbert, Orwigsburg, Pa. [Phila.]
TOHICKON . . . . .	Trinity Church, Richlandtown, Pa.	May 12, "	" N. Z. Snyder, S. Bethlehem, Pa.
WEST SUSQUEHANNA . . . . .	Freeburg, Pa.	May 15, "	" W. A. Haas, Selinsgrove, Pa.
WYOMING . . . . .	Emanuel's Church, Hazleton, Pa.	June 7, "	" D. E. Schoedler, Turbotville, Pa.
<b>Pittsburg Synod.</b>			
ALLEGHENY . . . . .	Braddock, Pa.	May 15, 1893	Rev. D. N. Harnish, Butler, Pa.
CLARION . . . . .	Bois, Pa.	June 10, "	" S. S. Miller, St. Petersburg, Pa.
ST. PAUL'S . . . . .	St. Mark's Ch., E. Fairfield Twp., Crawford Co.,	June 7, "	" J. M. Schick, D. D., Greenville, Pa.
SOMERSET . . . . .	Berlin, Pa. [Pa.]	May 4, "	" A. J. Heller, Berlin, Pa.
WESTMORELAND . . . . .	Jeannette, Pa.	May 10, "	" J. F. Snyder, Manor Dale, Pa.
<b>Potomac Synod.</b>			
CARLISLE . . . . .	Mechanicsburg, Pa.	June 8, 1893	Rev. J. D. Miller, Marysville, Pa.
GETTYSBURG . . . . .	Emanuel's Church, Hanover, Pa.	June 6, "	" T. J. Barkley, Gettysburg, Pa.
JUNIATA . . . . .	Bedford, Pa.	June 6, "	" J. W. Pontius, Martinsburg, Pa.
MARYLAND . . . . .	Sharpsburg, Md.	May 4, "	" E. R. Dearick, Woodberry, Md.
MERCERSBURG . . . . .	Greencastle, Pa.	May 4, "	" W. M. Dearick, D. D., Mercersburg, Pa.
NORTH CAROLINA . . . . .	Burginton, N. C.	May 3, "	" J. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.
PORTLAND-OREGON . . . . .	Mink, Ore.	May 25, "	" J. G. Schmid, Astoria, Ore. [Va.]
VIRGINIA . . . . .	Winchester, Va.	June 6, "	" J. A. Hoffheins, D. D., Martinsb'g, W.
ZION'S . . . . .	Red Lion, Pa.	May 2, "	" I. S. Weiss, D. D., York, Pa.
<b>Ohio Synod.</b>			
EASTERN OHIO . . . . .	Osnaburg, O.	April 20, 1893	Rev. G. W. Henning, Osnaburg, O.
LANCASTER . . . . .	Stoutsville, O.	May 24, "	" N. H. Loose, Baltimore, O.
MIAMI . . . . .	Fairfield, O.	May 23, "	" H. M. Herman, D. D., Miamisburg, O.
ST. JOSEPH . . . . .	Grace Church, Ft. Wayne, Ind.	June 14, "	" F. Ware, Three Rivers, Mich.
TIFFIN . . . . .	Bascom, O.	April 25, "	" A. H. Zeichel, Bascom, O.
TUSCARAWAS . . . . .	Reedsburg, O.	May 2, "	" E. D. Wettach, Akron, O.
<b>Northwest Synod.</b>			
CHICAGO . . . . .	Third Church, Chicago, Ill.	May 25, 1893	[Chicago, Ill.] Rev. O. J. Accola, D.D., 1330 Wellington ave.,
INDIANA . . . . .	Evansville, Ind.	May 3, "	" E. W. Henschen, 175 Ferry ave., Lafay.
MILWAUKEE . . . . .	Waukegan, Wis.	June 1, "	" H. O. Jöris, Reeseville, Wis. [ette, Ind.]
MINNESOTA . . . . .	St. Paul, Minn.	June 7, "	" J. Otto Vitz, St. Paul's, Minn.
MISSOURI . . . . .	Prairie City, Mo.	Aug. 17, "	" John Knierim, Lowry City, Mo.
NEBRASKA . . . . .	Humboldt, Neb.	May 25, "	" W. Bonekemper, Sutton, Neb.
SHEBOYGAN . . . . .	Sheboygan Falls, Wis.	April 5, "	" D. W. Vriessen, Timothy, Wis.
SOUTH DAKOTA . . . . .	Mennos, S. Dak.	June 1, "	" F. A. Rittershaus, Mennos, S. Dak.
URSINUS . . . . .	Bethanie Church, near Baxter, Iowa.	June 8, "	" C. G. Zipf, Wheatland, Iowa.
ZION'S . . . . .	Berne, Ind.	June 7, "	" H. W. Vitz, Decatur, Ind.
<b>Central Synod.</b>			
CINCINNATI . . . . .	Arnheim, O.	May 2, 1893	Rev. J. Bachman, D.D., 669 Freeman Ave. [Cincinnati, O.]
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Northwest . . . . .	10	144	200	18,707	13,210	1,724	29	958	875	13,564	188	6	396	432	170	10,397	42	14,754 00	112,292 00
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Potomac . . . . .	9	151	301	34,159	2,791	1,910	322	1,612	955	28,023	580	1	335	888	276	24,153	52	28,653 00	163,043 00
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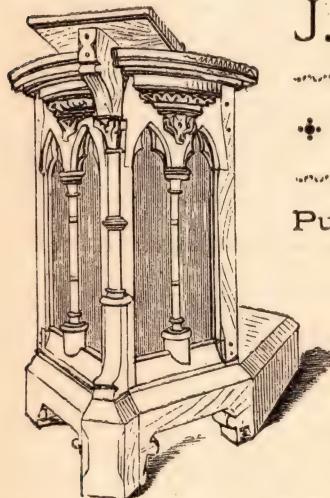
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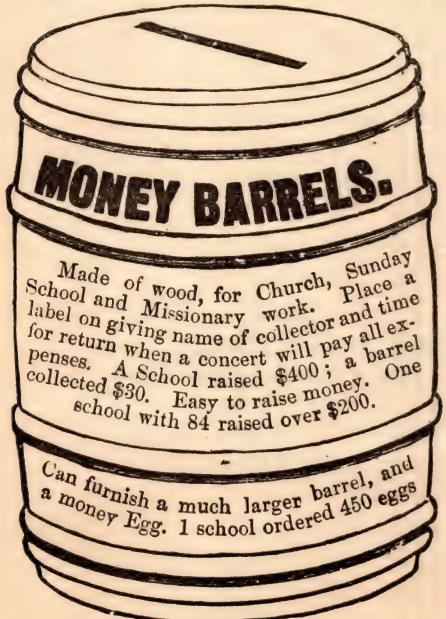
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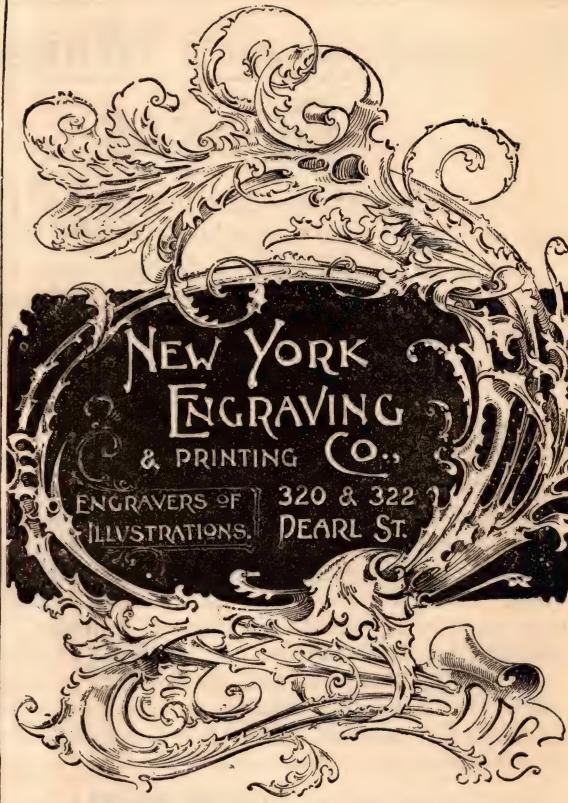
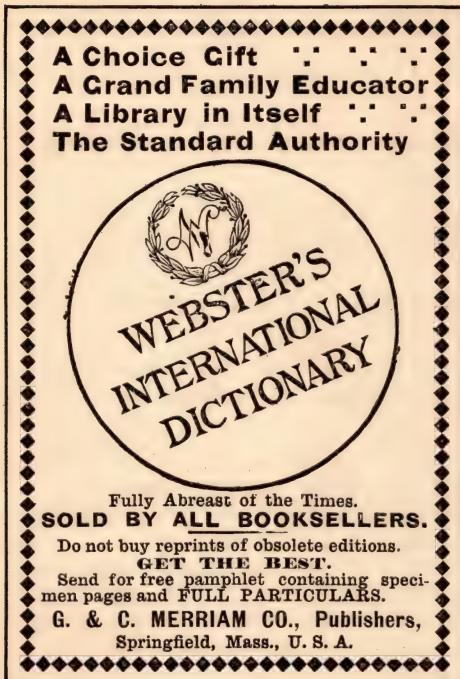
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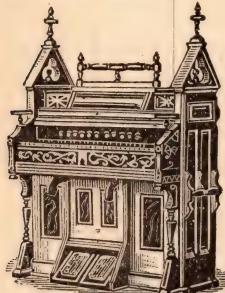
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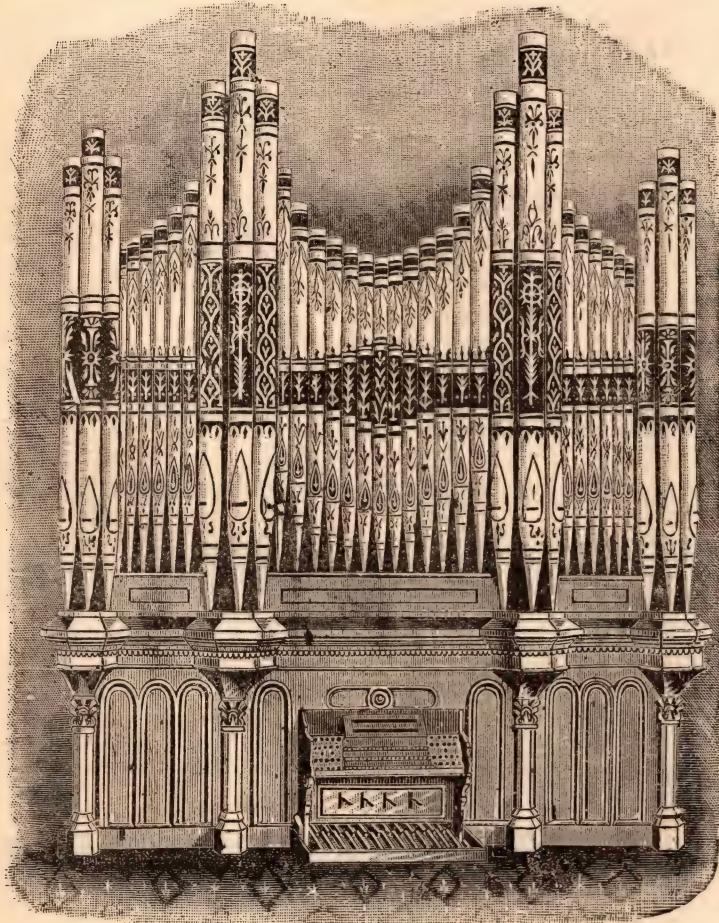
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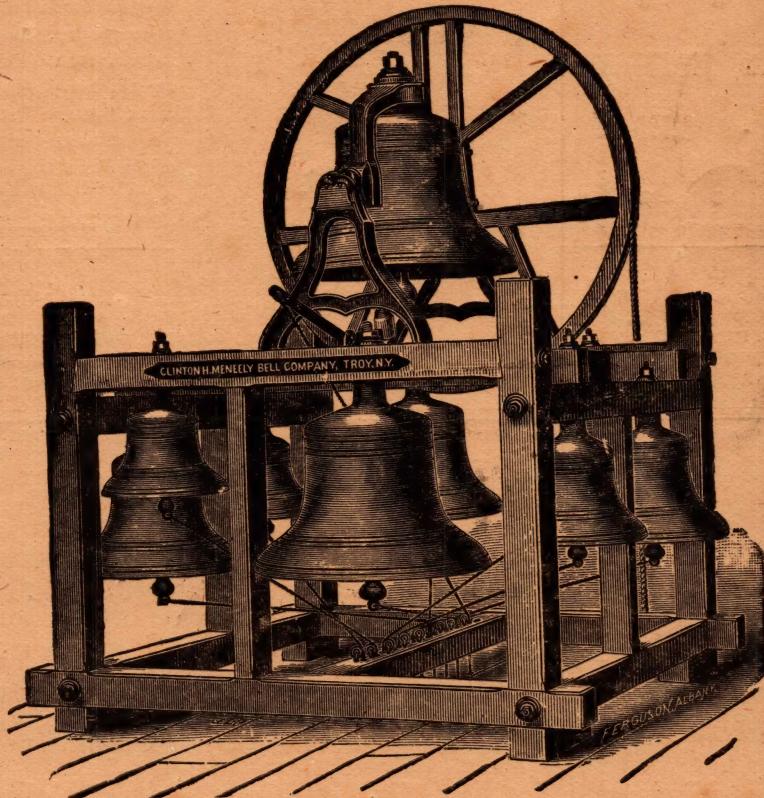
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